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Space Shuttle Lands Smoothly After a Near-Perfect Mission

By John Noble Wilford... EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, California — The space shuttle Discovery returned to Earth Monday, swooping out of the sky, safe and triumphant, to conclude a four-day mission that seemed to go a long way toward restoring confidence in the reliability of the winged, reusable vehicles and reviving the U.S. space program.

ly and steeply to a smooth touchdown at 9:37 A.M. "Roger, Discovery, welcome back. A great ending to the new beginning," Mission Control told the crew. "It's an absolute, stunning success," said Rear Admiral Richard H. Truly, the space agency's head of the shuttle program.

When the astronauts emerged from the shuttle on the dry lake bed, they were greeted by Vice President George Bush and NASA officials. They walked around the shuttle inspecting its condition, which Admiral Truly said "looks beautiful."

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Labor Party Trims Course

BLACKPOOL, England (AP)—The opposition Labor Party's annual conference overwhelmingly endorsed proposals Monday to tone down left-wing policies as the best hope of ending nearly a decade of Conservative Party government.

Leftists, already soundly defeated in a bid to defeat the party leader, Neil Kinnock, accused him of rejecting Socialist principles after three successive election defeats by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.



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Russian Republic Chief Replaced, Firming Gorbachev Grip

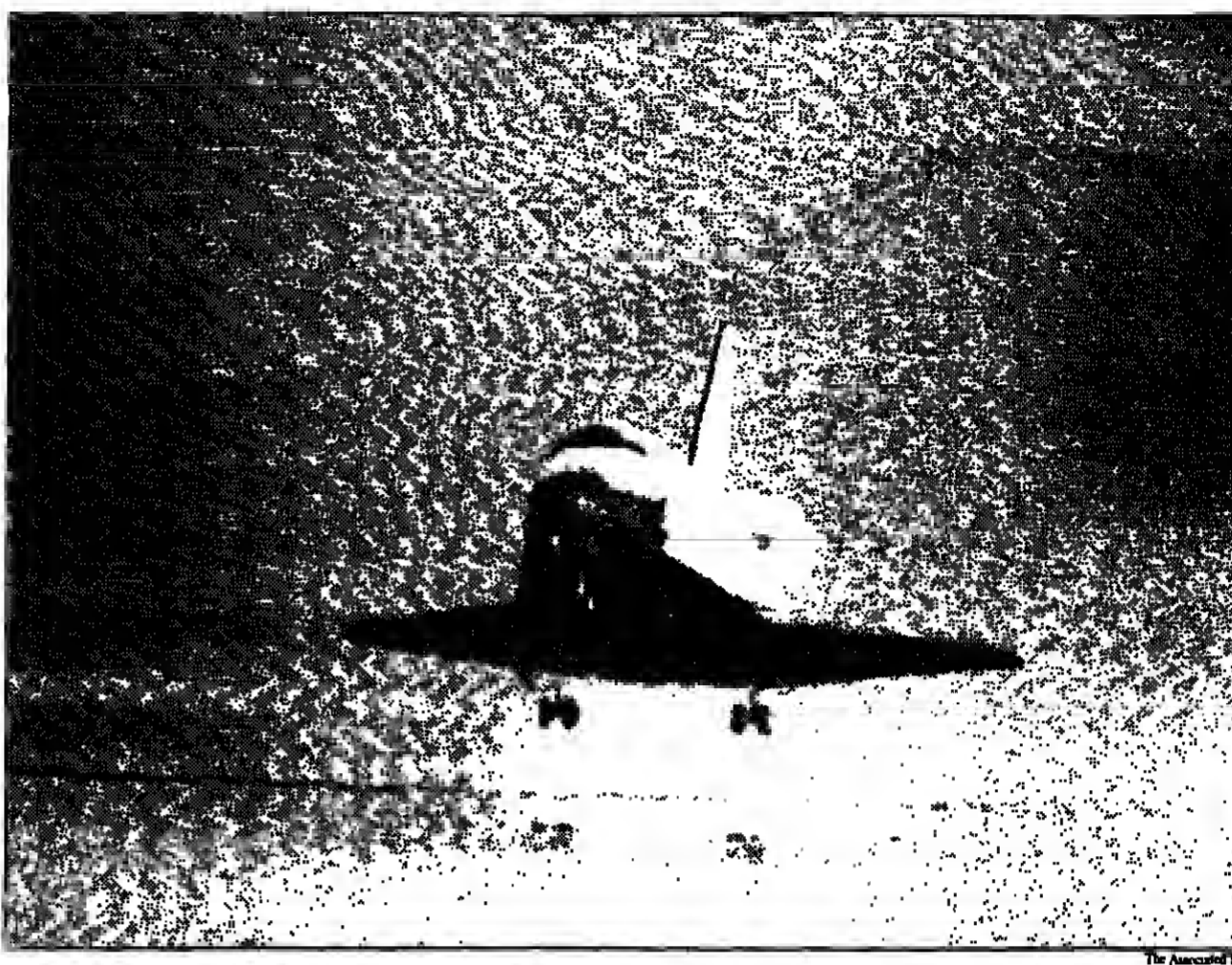
By David Remnick... MOSCOW — The Soviet Union capped a weekend of leadership changes Monday with the appointment of Alexander V. Vlasov as prime minister of the Russian Republic, the largest and most powerful of the union's 15 constituent republics.

Washington expects no major shifts in the Kremlin's policies. Page 2.

Strauss, Premier of Bavaria, Is Dead

By Serge Schmemmann... BONN — Franz Josef Strauss, the conservative premier of Bavaria and one of the last of the political old guard instrumental in the founding of the modern West German state, died Monday at the age of 73.

Politically untouchable in his home state, the former kingdom of Bavaria, Mr. Strauss ruled in regal style. Under his stewardship the populous southern state became one of the most prosperous regions of West Germany.



The space shuttle Discovery touching down Monday at Edwards Air Force base as it ended an almost trouble-free four-day journey.

Hostage Released In Beirut

Kidnappers Free Indian Professor After 20 Months

BEIRUT — Moslem kidnappers freed an Indian professor who is a resident alien of the United States on Monday night after more than 20 months of captivity, the police said.

The professor, Mithileshwar Singh, 60, was released at 10:05 P.M. across the street from the Beirut headquarters of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, which aids Palestinian refugees, a police spokesman said.

He was freed five minutes after a deadline set by Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine, which still holds three other American college teachers kidnapped with Mr. Singh at Beirut University College in Moslem West Beirut on Jan. 24, 1987.

Nine Americans are among the 17 foreigners missing in Lebanon. The foreigner held longest is Terry A. Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent of The Associated Press, who was kidnapped on March 16, 1985.

In Washington, the State Department confirmed Mr. Singh's release and said that "we are anxious to talk to him and learn if he has any information to share with us" about American captives.

A department spokesman, Phyllis E. Oakley, said, "We join with Mr. Singh's relatives in rejoicing in his release and call for the urgent, unconditional release of all hostages in Lebanon."

Mr. Gorbachev's most influential advisers on foreign policy are Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze and Alexander N. Yakovlev.

Mr. Yakovlev has taken command of the party's new created Central Committee commission on international issues.

Vadim A. Medvedev, who was elevated to the Politburo on Friday and unseated Mr. Ligachev as chief ideologist, has been influential in the formulation of Mr. Gorbachev's more relaxed policies on Eastern Europe.

Libya and Chad Agree To New Ties and Peace

By Youssef M. Ibrahim... PARIS — Libya and Chad announced Monday that they will restore diplomatic ties. In a joint communiqué, the two nations said that they had agreed to settle peacefully a 15-year desert war over a disputed strip of uranium-rich territory annexed by Libya in 1973.

The move to make peace with a country that he once tried to invade from the Libyan ruler, Colonel Muammar Gadhafi. It was the latest of a series of conciliatory gestures he has made toward neighboring countries in what is seen as an attempt to ease Libya's diplomatic isolation in Africa and the Arab world and to gain time to begin to revamp Libya's chaotic economy.

Starting in 1983, France and the United States substantially increased their military support of the Chadian government of President Hissène Habré. To counter an invasion by Chadian rebels, supported by elements of the Libyan Army and Air Force, they supplied Mr. Habré's army with modern arms and ammunition and other military support.

In speeches and statements over the past few months, the Libyan ruler has conceded that his involvement in Chad was an error, as he did on Algerian television early last month. Colonel Gadhafi did not say, however, that Libya was willing to abandon its claim to the so-called Aozou strip, a 44,000-square-mile (114,000 square kilo-

meter) band of territory across the northern border of Chad, which both countries claim as part of their territory. The dispute goes back to World War II.

Last year, the Chadian Army pushed the Libyans back and scored decisive victories, taking as many as 2,000 Libyan prisoners and killing several hundred Libyan soldiers in desert battles. The fighting culminated in a cease-fire proposed by the Organization of African Unity last September.

France continues to keep an air force contingent in Chad, a former French protectorate with a population of 4 million.

Accompanying the statement was a 36-word handwritten statement in Arabic delivered to a Western news agency on Monday said the hostage would be freed by 10 P.M. at the UN agency's headquarters.

The statement said, "After the completion of necessary arrangements, Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine declares that it will release the hostage at the UNRWA building between 9 P.M. and 10 P.M. tonight."

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For 'Reagan Democrats,' the Race Is Up for Grabs

By Haynes Johnson and David S. Broder... PENN HILLS, Pennsylvania — Ron Zartovny is the kind of voter Michael S. Dukakis must have to win the presidency, the kind of blue-collar suburbanite the Democrats must have back to resume the national political dominance that began more than half a century ago with Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal.

They are perilously close to losing him again. A Roman Catholic of Polish-Czechoslovak stock, the son of a coal miner and union leader, Mr. Zartovny, 41, remains a registered Democrat who still speaks with pride of Lyndon B. Johnson's war on poverty and his own service as a Vista volunteer in the mid-1960s.

He continues that effort professionally as director of senior citizen services here in this ethnic town 10 miles (16 kilometers) from downtown Pittsburgh, an area hard-hit by the decline of the steel industry.

Yet four years ago, Mr. Zartovny, who supported Jimmy Carter in 1980, departed from his Democratic roots and voted for Ronald Reagan. He became one of the "Reagan Democrats" who form a crucial element in the presidential politics of 1988, and beyond.

"Reagan's done a real good job," he said. "Over the last eight years, there's been a lot of positive things that have happened to this country."

Debate sponsors pull out in protest at conditions set by the candidates. Page 3.

"O.K. When he came in, interest rates were 21 percent. When I came here in 1980, I had to purchase a home because I had to live in Penn Hills for my job. I had a nice home in North Hills than I have here. I had a 6 percent mortgage on my home."

"When I came here, I had to get a 13% percent mortgage. It really affected me personally. I feel Reagan brought that down. I believe in what he's doing. Instead of just giving people welfare medical assistance, they have to have job training for all people. This is what Bush is trying to carry on, and if he does, that would be great."

End of election? Not necessarily, because no sooner had Mr. Zartovny said that than he volunteered another thought. "Bush hurt himself with Quayle," he said, "and I may not vote for him because of that. I don't want to see Quayle running the country. Even my kids say they can't see Quayle."

That kind of paradoxical voter response is common in Penn Hills. Beyond the factor of Vice President George Bush's choice of Senator Dan Quayle to be his running mate — which surfaces frequently in conversation —

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U.S. Weakens Standard For Car Fuel Economy

WASHINGTON — The Transportation Department, in a significant weakening of the U.S. policy equipping fuel-efficient automobiles, eased the standard for the 1989 model year by one mile per gallon on Monday.

The department, responding to pleas from Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp., told automakers that they must achieve an average fuel economy of 26.5 mpg (8.9 liters per 100 kilometers).

The 1989 standard would have been 27.5 miles per gallon under a 1975 law that created the corporate average fuel economy program, or CAFE, to reduce fuel consumption and ease pollution.

Under the program, automakers have had to meet progressively tougher fuel economy averages each year for their car fleets on face-stiff fines.

But the 1975 law granted the Transportation Department the authority to lower the standards in a given year if it finds that automakers have made a good-faith effort to reach the standard.

GM and Ford had argued that they would have to close plants and lay off workers with the standard at 27.5 mpg.

Chrysler Corp., on the other hand, said Monday that it would do better than the federal standard.

GM and Ford testified at a September hearing that with the drop in oil prices, consumers were demanding larger, less fuel-efficient cars and that raising the fuel economy standard would allow Japanese automakers to take over the profitable, U.S. big-car market.

Senator Tim Wirth, Democrat of Colorado, who testified against lowering the standards, called the department's decision "short-sighted."

Colossus of Casablanca: World's Largest Mosque

By Edward Cody... CASABLANCA, Morocco — The minaret has risen proud and straight out of the Atlantic waves to a height of 364 feet high, rising like a colossus over workers who are building the world's largest mosque for King Hassan II.

The Great Hassan II Mosque, including a marble-sided nave with room for 20,000 worshippers, was begun a year ago as the most ambitious building project ever undertaken in Morocco, and it is being paid for in part by a national fund-raising drive. About 2,800 engineers and laborers are working day and night to complete the monument in time for the king's 60th birthday, next July.

King Hassan, who also uses the titles "prince of the faithful" and "God's representative on Earth," has long taken his Islamic role seriously. Said to be a descendant of the Prophet Muhammad, he has explained the project as a beacon of Morocco's Islamic heritage that has traditionally combined strongly felt devotion with tolerance for the ways of others.

In addition, King Hassan said in a recent speech that, because of Rabat's status as the capital, residents of Casablanca had previously not been able to boast of a major monument in the kingdom's largest city. The 215,000-square-foot (19,975-square-meter) mosque, which will have a hydraulic sliding roof atop walls 197 feet (60 meters) high, will make Casablanca the site of the largest enclosed mosque, surpassed in total area only by the open courtyards of Mecca's mosques, Moroccan officials said.

The French architect Michel Pinseau, who has frequently worked in Morocco, designed the mosque in modern Moorish style on a 430,570-square-foot platform, two-thirds of which reaches out over the waters of the Atlantic.

The platform, on which the main mosque and minaret will be flanked by an Islamic school and a library, is supported by concrete piling set in "combs" to withstand storms.

Maurice Cheminade, Mr. Pinseau's chief site engineer, said King Hassan himself ordered a preliminary design revised to make sure the mosque extended well over the waves. A dike was constructed to hold back the sea during construction. Once the project is completed, the dike will be torn down to allow the Atlantic to wash around the building, in keeping with an Islamic verse that says "The throne of God was over the water."

To help this poor North African nation pay for the grandeur, and to involve his subjects in the enterprise, King Hassan decreed a subscription campaign in which all 26 million Moroccans were urged to contribute to the best of their ability. When the monthlong campaign officially closed, the Interior Ministry said 12 million Moroccans had contributed \$36 million.

The project's total cost has not been officially made public. Some estimates have put the overall budget at \$250 million. That would represent about one-seventh of what the country paid last year to service its foreign debt and nearly twice the amount of economic and military aid furnished by the United States this year.

Gulf countries have reportedly pledged to help with much of the financing. The subscription campaign was embraced by many Moroccans as a way to show their faith in Islam and the king. For the less devout, however, the donations were an unwelcome intrusion in already pinched budgets.



King Hassan II of Morocco, for whom workers are trying to complete the new mosque in time for his 60th birthday in July.

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# In Shakeout, Analysts See Party Gain Over KGB

By Gary Lee  
*Washington Post Service*

WASHINGTON — The appointment of Colonel General Vladimir A. Kryuchkov as head of the KGB indicates a decline in the status of the Soviet security agency and two important shifts in its agenda, Western observers say.

By naming General Kryuchkov, a career KGB official without rank in the senior Kremlin leadership, the Communist Party has strengthened its control over the agency and slightly lowered the agency's standing in the Soviet hierarchy, several specialists said. The KGB director is usually a member of the ruling Politburo.

The specialists said that with a less-than-senior official at the

helm, the KGB is now viewed as the third most powerful institution in the Soviet Union, after the party and the military.

The appointment of General Kryuchkov on Saturday to succeed Viktor M. Chebrikov also appears to put a new emphasis on the agency's operations in foreign countries.

General Kryuchkov, 63, has headed foreign espionage and other KGB operations abroad for 10 years, and he is expected to put strong emphasis on the agency's international role.

He is also expected to buttress the Kremlin leadership's battle against corruption and bribery.

General Kryuchkov began his

international career in Budapest under Yuri V. Andropov, then ambassador to Hungary, and is viewed as a protégé of Mr. Andropov's.

After Mr. Andropov became director of the KGB in 1967, he promoted General Kryuchkov through the ranks, making him head of foreign operations and one of two first deputies in 1978.

General Kryuchkov's assignments included a posting in the early 1970s as station chief in New York. Last December, he accompanied the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, to Washington for summit talks.

The general joined the 300-member policy-making Central Committee in 1986, but he still lacks the

status of his predecessors. When Mr. Chebrikov was named KGB director in 1985, he was simultaneously made a full Politburo member.

Mr. Andropov raised the status of the agency after he succeeded Leonid I. Brezhnev as party general secretary in 1982.

"I have a feeling that what we are seeing now is the symbolic downgrading of the whole agency," said Thane Gustafson, a Sovietologist at Georgetown University in Washington.

Robert Legvold, head of the Harriman Institute for Soviet Studies in New York, said: "Gorbachev has strengthened his own power

over state security. It's an important step in his consolidation of power."

The KGB has recently gained a reputation as being partly responsible for slowing the pace of Mr. Gorbachev's efforts to restructure the Soviet economy.

Under Mr. Chebrikov, KGB agents mounted brutal crackdowns against demonstrations by dissidents. And during the past year Mr. Chebrikov became a spokesman for conservative positions, which appeared to ally him closely with the leading Politburo conservative, Yegor K. Ligachev. In recent months, Mr. Chebrikov was criticized for the handling of ethnic unrest in several Soviet republics.



Vladimir A. Kryuchkov

## WORLD BRIEFS

### Rocard Refuses to Scrap Referendum

PARIS (Reuters) — The Socialist government on Monday rejected calls to cancel a referendum on a peace plan for the South Pacific territory of New Caledonia, despite warnings of voter apathy. The warnings were made by opposition leaders after French electors set a postwar record for abstaining in a national poll on Sunday.

Only 47 percent voted in district council elections, the sixth poll in five months for the electorate. The low turnout meant that a slight swing to the Socialist Party was insufficient to change control of most of the country's 101 departments. The Socialists made gains of 81 seats out of over 2,000 in contention Sunday in the second round of voting.

Prime Minister Michel Rocard, whose prestige is riding on his plan for peace in New Caledonia, firmly rejected calls to set aside the referendum, scheduled for Nov. 6, his aides said.

### 11 Arabs Shot in Raids by Israelis

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops raided more than a dozen villages in the West Bank on Monday and wounded at least 11 Palestinians in a general strike protesting school closures shut down the occupied territories.

The raids were timed to coincide with the one-day strike, an Arab spokeswoman said. "On a strike day, you know there will be violence," she said. "We wanted to prevent it through our increased presence and by making more arrests."

Arab sources said that in one raid, hundreds of youths blocked roads and hurled stones to stop soldiers from entering the village of Zafar. Troops opened fire, wounding four teenagers, including two who were shot in the back, hospital officials said. Palestinian sources said that 21 persons had been wounded in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Israeli officials put the figure at 11.

### Botha Won't Attend African Summit

JOHANNESBURG (WP) — President Pieter W. Botha will not attend a summit meeting of African leaders opening Thursday in Zanzibar, the South African Foreign Ministry said Monday.

The ministry was responding to reports that President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire had said that Mr. Botha would attend the session. "It's not on, and that is a categorical response," a ministry spokesman said.

Mr. Botha had said after a meeting Saturday in Zaire with Mr. Mobutu that he planned other trips to black-ruled African states soon, but he did not specify when.

### Soviet Troops Replacing Strikers

MOSCOW (NYT) — Troops of the Soviet Interior Ministry have begun to substitute for the striking civilian work force in the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh, the press agency Tass reported Monday.

A state of emergency was declared and a curfew imposed in the territory on Sept. 21 after houses were set on fire, random shots were fired and patrolling soldiers were "humiliated," according to Tass. The area is claimed by the Soviet republics of Armenia and Azerbaijan.

There was no indication of a renewal of violence in the report on Monday, but the decision to use troops to keep the local economy going represents a new phase in the central government's intervention in the bitter dispute. Although troops have been in the region for months, they were previously said to be charged merely with keeping order in the area.

### U.S. Cites 'Concern' on Chile Vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department said Monday it has told President Augusto Pinochet's government of its serious concern that the president may cancel the vote on whether he should stay in power until 1997.

"We have heard reports that the Chilean government has plans to cancel Wednesday's plebiscite or to nullify the result," the department spokesman, Phyllis Oakley, said. "We view them with serious concern."

The deputy secretary of state, John C. Whitehead, called in the Chilean ambassador, Hernán Errazuriz, on Sunday and the U.S. ambassador in Santiago spoke to Chilean officials, Mrs. Oakley said.

If a majority of the 7.4 million registered voters cast "yes" ballots, General Pinochet will begin a new eight-year term in March. If a majority votes "no," the general has promised an open presidential election in December 1989 and his resignation in March 1990.

## TRAVEL UPDATE

### Athens Taxis to Boycott City Center

ATHENS (AP) — The capital's 17,000 taxi drivers began a 15-day boycott of central Athens on Monday to protest anti-pollution measures that restrict cab circulation in the area.

Taxis are included in traffic restrictions banning half of the 800,000 cars in Athens from a five-square-mile (13-square-kilometer) zone around the city center from 7 A.M. to 3 P.M. on weekdays, according to odd and even license plate numbers. Taxi drivers object to the ban because they say 50 percent of their fares are generated from the restricted zone.

The Karakorum highway linking Xinjiang in northwest China with Pakistan was reopened to traffic over the weekend, a year ahead of schedule, after being widened and paved, Xinhua reported. (AFP)

### Correction

An article Monday incorrectly indicated the race in which the jockey Pat Eddery was disqualified and banned for eight days. The incident took place during the Prix de l'Abbaye at the Longchamp race course in Paris.

## Indonesia's Last Sultan Dies at 76 in the U.S.

JAKARTA — Indonesia's former vice president and last official sultan, Hamengkubuwono IX, 76, died of a heart attack on Sunday in Washington, a family spokesman said.

The sultan, who was the last royal ruler left from the feudal period in Indonesia, was survived by four wives and 19 children. He has no designated successor.

The sultan left Indonesia on Sept. 14 for treatment for a urinary tract ailment and failing eyesight at George Washington University Medical Center, the spokesman said.

His body will be flown to Indonesia for a traditional funeral.

The sultan was named special minister for economy, finance and industry and in 1973 was appointed vice president after Indonesia's first elections in 16 years.

After declining a second term in 1978, he held absolute power in his sultanate, ruling with the title of governor of the special district of Jogjakarta, the ancient center of Javanese culture and tradition.

**Truong Chinh, 80, Vietnamese Hardliner**

BANGKOK (AP) — Truong Chinh, 80, who helped found the Vietnamese Communist Party and served as its leader, died Friday from injuries suffered in a fall, according to the Vietnam News Agency.

Mr. Truong, regarded as a hardliner and an ideologue, was general secretary of the party from 1941 to 1956 and again for six months in 1986, but was abruptly retired in December of that year after the party leadership acknowledged severe economic problems and a loss of confidence in the top leadership.

**Generoso Pope Jr., 61, Owner of National Enquirer**

NEW YORK (NYT) — Generoso P. Pope Jr., 61, the owner and publisher of The National Enquirer, died of a heart attack on Sunday at his home in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Mr. Pope, whose father founded Il Progresso, the New York City Italian-language newspaper, bought a weekly newspaper, The New York Enquirer, in 1952 for \$75,000. It had a circulation of 17,000 copies and a focus on politics, sports, personalities and the theater.

He converted the paper into a tabloid and turned its pages into a showcase of the bizarre. Its name

was changed to reflect its growing national readership, and, by the mid-1960s, the paper was making huge profits and its circulation had climbed to nearly a million.

But in the belief that its market had been saturated, Mr. Pope in the late 1960s put The Enquirer into the nation's supermarkets and began aiming at a readership that included housewives. Sharply altering the editorial policy, he eliminated gore and began packing the pages with consumerism and entertainment.

**Other deaths:**

Sir Sacheverell Sitwell, 90, a poet who was the last of the remarkable British literary trio of siblings, including his sister Dame Edith Sitwell and brother Sir Osbert, who rose to fame in the 1920s, Saturday in London.

Louise Leiris, 86, one of France's most prominent art dealers who sold Pablo Picasso's works for decades, Sept. 24 in Paris.

Charles R. Jones 85, a North Carolina Republican congressman from 1952 to 1972, Wednesday in Lincolnton, North Carolina.

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# For Candidate Quayle, Bentsen Debate Marks A Key Political Moment

By E.J. Dionne Jr.  
New York Times Service  
WASHINGTON — For Senator Dan Quayle, the vice presidential debate Wednesday is his moment in political history.

With Mr. Bush holding a narrow lead, Mr. Quayle's performance could be critical in determining whether the contest becomes much easier for Mr. Bush or tightens into a race to the wire.

## Live Broadcast Of Debate Set

International Herald Tribune  
The debate Wednesday night between the candidates for the vice presidency, Senator Dan Quayle of Indiana, will be broadcast live by the Voice of America and the Cable News Network for cable and satellite subscribers in Europe and Asia.

In his first debate with Mr. Bush, Mr. Dukakis ended a painful period in which he had been on the defensive, but he did not achieve his hoped-for breakthrough.



Senator Dan Quayle, the Republican vice presidential candidate, at a meeting with President Ronald Reagan in the White House.

Mr. Quayle also hopes to force Mr. Bentsen to waste as many of the debate's valuable 90 minutes as possible in defending Mr. Dukakis.

The Bush campaign did not seem at all upset by Mr. Quayle's remarks, suggesting that campaign officials saw them as a chance for Mr. Quayle to build up his own identity.

A New York Times-CBS News Poll taken Sept. 21-23 found that 29 percent of the probable electorate considered Mr. Quayle qualified to be president.

statements, Paul P. Bruntz, chairman of the Dukakis campaign, said that "Mr. Quayle's view that we should go slow" on the strategic arms talks "is at odds with President Reagan, with Secretary of Defense Carlisle, and with Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Crowe."

# Supreme Court's Big Docket: Nativity Scenes to Drug Tests

By Al Kamen  
Washington Post Service  
WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court began its new term Monday with a flurry of activity, agreeing to decide the constitutionality of city displays of Christmas nativity scenes and to determine whether railroads and airlines may routinely test employees for drugs.

Chase, Maryland, in January 1987, killing 16 people and injuring 174 others.

ing with decisions by two other circuit courts, struck down the testing. The high court's decision in Consolidated Rail Corp. vs. Railway Labor Executives' Association, will not directly affect most private sector workers because it covers only railroad and airline workers under the Railway Labor Act.

celebration of Hanukkah at, or inside, government buildings.

ing rights to free exercise of religion, the court agreed to decide whether a person who declines to work on Sunday because of a sincerely held religious conviction must also be a member of an established religion in order to claim First Amendment protections.

■ A Range of Cases  
The court also took the following actions, The Associated Press reported.

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# Protesting Debate Pact, U.S. Sponsors Pull Out

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches  
WASHINGTON — The League of Women Voters withdrew Monday as sponsor of the presidential debate in Los Angeles later this month, saying it refused to be "an accessory to the hoodwinking of the American people" by the campaigns of Vice President George Bush and Governor Michael S. Dukakis.

"They had determined that the press would be relegated to the last two rows of the hall. They had determined that they would pack the hall with their supporters. They had determined the format."

The league's surprise announcement raised some doubt at first about the confrontation between the presidential candidates, scheduled for Oct. 13 or 14. Later, two campaigns said the bipartisan Commission on Presidential Elections would sponsor the second debate.

The campaigns' agreement calls for each side's "best efforts to obtain a mutually agreeable sponsor" if one sponsor drops out.

The league's president, Nancy M. Neuman, said the group was presented with a debate agreement between the Bush and Dukakis campaigns and was told that the league had to accept it.

"It turned out that the league had two choices," she said. "We could sign their closed-door agreement and hope the event would rise above their manipulations or we could refuse to lend our trusted name to this charade."

Ms. Neuman said: "The League of Women Voters is announcing today that we have no intention of becoming an accessory to the hoodwinking of the American people."

In letters to Mr. Bush's campaign chairman, James A. Baker 3d, and the chairman for Mr. Dukakis's campaign, Paul P. Bruntz, she said the league would reconsider its stance if the campaigns withdrew their "nonnegotiable demands."

The league released a copy of the candidates' agreement.

"It spelled out everything," Ms. Neuman said. "Between themselves, the campaigns had determined what the TV cameras could take pictures of. They had determined how they would select who would pose questions to their candidates."

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Meanwhile, in the World

As its final month begins, the 1988 U.S. presidential campaign can claim one large, if uninspiring, distinction. It turns out to be having one of those head-to-head matchups...

The Court Changes Slowly

Obedient to the law, the Supreme Court reconvened Monday, the first Monday in October. Even more than usual, a sense of imminent change attends the high court's new term...

Trade, Jobs and Mischief

President Reagan struck two mighty blows for American consumers the other day when he vetoed a bill to throttle imports of textiles and clothing...

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It Looked Like the Old Days
So much has changed, so little has changed. President Gorbachev proclaims he is bringing a revolution. But in the parliament on Saturday, rows of impassive delegates raised their hands a few inches for unanimous vote after unanimous vote...

To Play in Asia, Moscow Will Have to Pay

By Gaston J. Sigur and Richard L. Armitage

Mr. Sigur is the U.S. assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs. Mr. Armitage is assistant secretary for international security affairs.

WASHINGTON — General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev has updated his 1986 speech on Asia with new proposals to make Moscow a full-fledged participant in the region's political and economic affairs...

power and forward deployment of forces distant from continental American shores. Sea lines are to America what railroad lines are to the Soviet Union. We cannot imagine the Soviets agreeing to construct their own vital arteries.

To eliminate tensions, as he now proposes, Mr. Gorbachev must address the Soviet activities that truly concern the rest of Asia. He must reverse the growth in Soviet land, naval and nuclear forces. One-third of all Soviet forces are stationed in the Pacific region...

Bush: Despite His Assets, He Remains Vulnerable

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — Given George Bush's natural advantages, as the designated heir of a highly popular president in prosperous times, he has a surprisingly narrow lead in this campaign. The election is still there to be won by Michael Dukakis...



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Quayle: More Than Just a Pretty Face

By Michael Barone

WASHINGTON — "What do you see in him," a reporter asked George Bush in the recent debate, "that others do not?" "Him" is Dan Quayle, and the reporter's premise — widely shared — is that Senator Quayle is utterly unqualified and his choice inexplicable...

into jobs for which they clearly had neither prepared nor paid their dues. Second, it wasn't family connections so much as the withdrawal, for personal reasons, of front-runners that gave Mr. Quayle the Republican nomination for the House in 1976 and the Senate in 1980...

New Tunes With Each Spin of the Dial

By Ernest Furguson

WASHINGTON — When you have roamed the ether out there for a quarter of a century, the short-wave bands become familiar territory. You learn where to look for the BBC in the 25-meter band after midnight, and whether Radio Beijing in Russian comes in best in the 19- or 31-meter band for summer listeners along the 55th parallel...

powered public relations campaign. Radio Prague goes on about private tourist camps in the Czechoslovak mountains that were inspired by a farm woman who took it on herself to accommodate the overflow from nearby state-run resorts. Who would have thought it, from the capital crushed into conformity by the tanks of the Brezhnev doctrine 20 years ago?

In Poland, It's Two on A Tightrope

By Abraham Brumberg

WASHINGTON — A remarkable drama is unfolding in Poland. For the first time, the Jaruzelski regime and the political opposition are groping toward a political settlement. Consider these recent surprises: A government is forced to resign. A government is formed. A government is formed. A government is formed...

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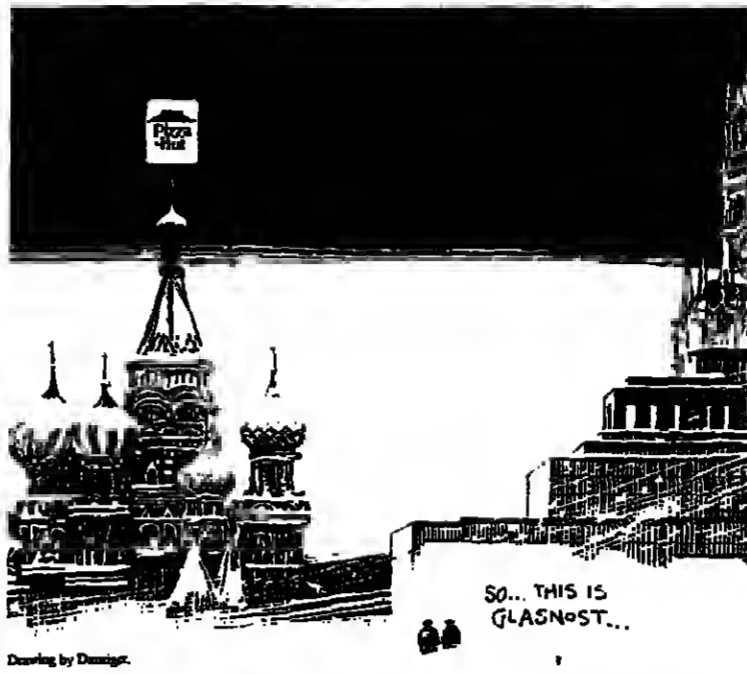
Gorbachev's Goal: A Free-Market Tyranny

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — As the people of Israel, Pakistan and the United States prepare to go to the polls next month, the people of the Soviet Union were treated to an election Communist-style: At the shortest meeting of the Central Committee in 70 years, Mikhail Gorbachev added the presidency in his powers. Why did he take this long-planned step so suddenly? Tactically, to catch his growing internal opposition unaware; strategically, because an unforeseen circumstance has forced him to assume more dictatorial control than any Russian leader has had since Stalin. The circumstance is economic desperation; the country, he now discovers, is as bad off as he has been saying it is. The system, more than the weather, is at fault for the low grain harvest. With little incentive to harvest, farmers let wheat rot in the fields. The government has not allowed the price of bread to rise in 25 years, subsidizing the staff of life with grain bought from the capitalist world with hard currency. Now the source of that ability to put artificially cheap bread on the table is drying up. The Soviet Union is the world's largest oil producer, and the dollar income from that production has kept the wolf from the door. But the world price of oil has collapsed in the wake of the Gulf cease-fire. The sinking price of oil, which reduces inflation in the West, increases the cost of hiding inflation in the Soviet Union. (Mr. Gorbachev's economists have told him that there can be only one answer to the Soviet Union's dilemma: a strong dose of capitalism. That means free markets, which means the central planner's nightmare: an end to price control. Let resources be allocated by supply and demand, not by stultifying fiat; let the ruble be convertible to foreign currency, to attract capital and outside technology. The plan was to do all this gradually, under Leninist slogans, and without losing political control. Three months ago in Moscow, a top adviser to Mr. Gorbachev — after excoriating me for figures about unsustainable levels of arms production published in this space — had to admit that the leadership feared that freeing prices would start riots in the streets. To put down those anticipated food riots, as well as to handle Armenian ethnic uprisings, Mr. Gorbachev secretly put through new laws at the July party conference that amount to enabling legislation for martial law. Erezista was recently permitted to reveal some of the harsh measures now available to the Red Army to search out and crush dissent. His coup last week to consolidate top-level political power was triggered by the need for tight discipline in the face of the expected surge of popular discontent. The Ligachev clique, now maneuvered out of its counterbalancing position, still has a powerful argument against taking the capitalist road. It points to what has happened in China after the beginning of price decontrol: a sudden rush of inflation that

this month approaches the annualized rate of 40 percent. Deng Xiaoping has choked up at this challenge; instead of going all the way to free markets, he has hastily reimposed some controls. In light of that example, what can Mr. Gorbachev do? He knows his system is a disaster, so he cannot turn back; he sees the Chinese experiment of communism, which had been his model, now in retreat, so he cannot move ahead gradually; he is not prepared to accept the political freedom that goes with the Western world's economic freedom, so he cannot plunge ahead rapidly. His answer seems to be, first, to gather political power to himself by setting up an alternative political structure to the party, loyal to him; second, to rely on his army and his KGB to crack the heads of the people who cannot adjust to the need for suffering, and to dump glasnost

when it loses its usefulness against his opposition; third, to move relentlessly toward a free-price, convertible-ruble system in a one-party, totalitarian state. Can it work? It is downright Marxian to suggest that the internal contradiction of the goals is so great as to guarantee failure, but that is the way it looks to me: Even more than the Chinese Communists, the Russians will flinch at the prospect of political tumult on the way to capitalist stability. What should America do? Press Mr. Gorbachev hard for balanced reductions of nuclear missiles and conventional arms. Tie any trade or financing to the release of his costly empire, human rights, and an end to Soviet support of subversion and terrorism abroad. Drive home the lesson of the last century of the second millennium: Stagnation is the price of tyranny, prosperity is the reward of freedom. The New York Times.



McBooks: They Won't Serve Any That Require Chewing

By Sheldon Himelfarb

WASHINGTON — The publishing world is buzzing with news of the latest big buyout. Random House will acquire the Crown Publishing Group, pushing the U.S. book business still further into the grip of a few conglomerates. When the dust settles, a handful of corporations will control almost

sales will be needed to pay for these megadollar mergers, and that's where McBooks will come in. Penned, packaged and promoted with the same efficiency that made Ray Kroc's hamburgers famous, they will sell copies the way McDonald's sells Big Macs. "Twenty Billion Sold" the dust jackets will proclaim. And behind these flashy covers there will be something for everyone. McBooks will not be written just in read; they will be written to film, to export, to serialize and dramatize. Of course, there will be a price to pay for all this McEfficiency, especially by the authors. Publishers will be more reluctant than ever to take a chance on new talent. They will want a sure winner, a guaranteed money-maker. So unless a writer comes to them via Washington politics, a bordello, or both, he probably won't have the right stuff. Instead, the moguls of bookmaking will rely on McMarket research to put together their new lists. The ideal McBook will have one page of advertising to every page of text, will offer a trip to Hawaii to anyone who can solve the murder or collect enough bookmarks and will usually have a sequel waiting in the wings. On the notification side, the ideal McBook will be something like "The Mayflower Madam's Guide to Cultural Literacy." The writing process could also change under the pressure of big profits. In the past, writers were likened to professional voyeurs, watching life from the wings and then interpreting it, embellishing it, sometimes lampooning it. Writers have been envied for their freedom of expression, if not their income; but for the McBook generation, which cannot afford to take chances any more than its corporate backers can, writing will be more like cooking according to recipe: two all-beef patties, special sauce, lettuce, cheese...

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50 percent of an industry that was once made up of dozens of independent, family-run companies. What does all this consolidation mean for publishing? The birth of McBooks. For more than a year now, the giants have been buying smaller publishing houses for as much as 50 times their earnings. Unprecedented

ished a whole section on such poets as Leonardo de Arriza Galaga y Prado and Maria Antonia Ortega, including a generous sample of their work. LESLIE CROXFORD, Madrid. Salsa and the Twist, Easily In response to "Confessions of a Gringo Coconut" (Meanwhile, Sept. 14) by Carlos Sanchez: I am sick of all these "poor me" ethnic writers who find America so uninviting and cruel. Perhaps my brothers and I were just lucky, but we had a great childhood in a small Long Island town, where our "all-American" neighbors treated us with warmth and respect, which is exactly the way we treated them. The line that formed outside my mother's kitchen on black bean and fried banana night was made up of all our "American" friends. We assimilated freely into American culture. There was no trauma, it just happened. We spoke Spanish at home and English at school, and we are now fully proficient in both. We danced Salsa to Cuban music and did the twist when Chubby Checker was playing. We learned to cherish our adopted home. Maybe Mr. Sanchez should re-examine his identity crisis. Anyway, be certain doesn't speak for this Hispanic-American, for whom growing up in America was a bed of roses. ALVARO MARTINEZ-FONTS, Hong Kong. Letters intended for publication should be addressed "Letters to the Editor" and contain the writer's signature, name and full address. Letters should be brief and are subject to editing. We cannot be responsible for the return of unsolicited manuscripts.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Nuclear Nonproliferation

Regarding "A Nuclear Pakistan Would Be a Time Bomb for All" (Opinion, Aug. 26) by Jonathan Power: This column unfairly dismisses the nonproliferation policy of the Reagan presidency as in "total disarray" and of low priority. Quite the opposite is true. Moreover, Mr. Power's proposals are not only unrealistic, but could have the opposite result from that intended. Nonproliferation has been a top priority of the Reagan administration, and there has been much continuity of policy with that of previous administrations. President Reagan declared on July 16, 1981, that preventing the spread of nuclear explosives was a fundamental national security and foreign policy objective. We have never deviated from our commitment to this goal. Mr. Power's thesis that the United States has allowed Pakistan (and others such as Israel and South Africa) to develop nuclear weapons and has thereby "let them off the hook" is wrong. There is every reason to believe that Pakistan's decision not to proceed to further stages of nuclear development reflects an awareness that to do so would mean the end of U.S. aid. Indeed, without the restraining force of U.S. aid, Pakistan would be much more likely to proceed in additional areas of proliferation concern. This could lead to irresistible pressure on India's leaders to move forward with a nuclear weapons program. Simply terminating aid in such a case would not serve U.S. nonproliferation interests. In the case of close allies, such an approach would also not be in America's broader national security interest. As to Mr. Power's other proposals, U.S. law already prohibits nuclear cooperation with countries with unsafeguarded nuclear facilities. Accordingly, the

United States has no nuclear cooperation with Pakistan, India, South Africa or even Israel. Moreover, a comprehensive test ban would not be likely to change the positions of such countries. RICHARD T. KENNEDY, U.S. Ambassador-at-Large, Washington.

Rather, Blame Birth Rates

Regarding "Third World: Without Birth Control, Aid Is a Pious Charade" (Opinion, Sept. 15): Anyone familiar with developing countries knows that Hubert Rowen is unarguably correct in commenting on the population situation. It is a pity, therefore, that the article falls into the old tedious error of equating urbanization with "poverty, disease, crime and drugs." These problems may be traced to population growth, political mismanagement, social disruption, environmental degradation and other causes, but they cannot be linked to urbanization. BRUCE HYLAND, Nairobi. The purpose of loaning billions of dollars to Third World nations is to make living conditions in them more humane, and to help ensure people's rights and freedom. What could be more contradictory than to deny parents their first right and their dignity in deciding the number of children they will have? MARGARET KELLY, Dublin.

What the Censors Conceal

Regarding "An Israeli Soldier Defends His Army of Occupation" (Opinion, Sept. 9) by Louis Rapoport: Mr. Rapoport feels anger at the Western media and international press for

uncovering the brutal treatment of the Palestinians by Israel's army of occupation. I tremble at the thought of what is happening that is unreported because of Israel's military censorship. CATHERINE van der TUUK, Geneva.

'My Fair Lady' Was First

As former music director of "My Fair Lady," which toured the Soviet Union in 1960 under the auspices of the U.S. State Department, I must correct the report (People, Sept. 17) that "Sophisticated Ladies" will be the first Broadway show to play in the Soviet Union. SAUL SCHECHTMAN, Vaux, France.

On Using Fetal Tissue

Regarding "Reagan Moves to Ban Fetal Testing" (Sept. 10, first edition): The report says that anti-abortion groups oppose the use of fetal tissue in transplants on the ground that such transplants "might encourage women to have abortions." Can any intelligent person really believe that someone who wants a child will stop wanting or having children because science has found that unwanted fetuses can save people's lives? These transplants already have proved promising in the treatment of Parkinson's disease. Because fetal tissue has an incredible ability to adapt and grow in situations where the adult nervous system is too rigid to regenerate, such transplants hold promise for other disorders of the central nervous system that, hitherto, have been without hope, as well as for regenerating nerve tissue itself, as in the optic nerve or spine. The tissue necessary for many of these transplants cannot be taken at any moment, and certainly not after the fetus

has developed into a viable life. It is wonderful that tissue from elective and spontaneous abortions, which would otherwise be discarded, may promise the miracle of health to others. J. R. CHALFIN, Boulogne, France.

Killing by Misinformation

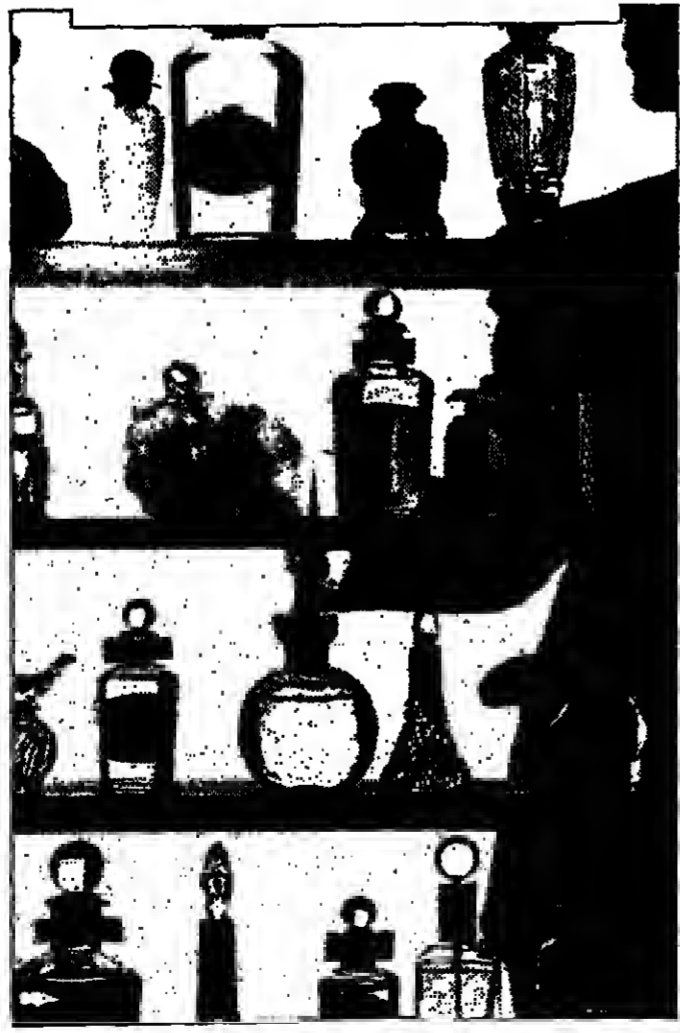
Regarding "Court Hears of 'Frenzied Attack' on IRA" (Sept. 9): The attack by British Special Air Service commandos on unarmed IRA guerrillas was not the fault of the commandos. Twice in the article there was reference to "incorrect information" given to the commandos by their commanders. The result was a massacre caused by misinformation. Who should have been on trial? URO DUR, Lugano, Switzerland.

Please Don't Remind Me

Surely you had more interesting and telling photos on hand in preparing Page 3 of your Sept. 5 issue than those of Ron, Nancy and tree; and George, Barbara and dog. I may be several thousand miles from home, but I don't need or care for a reminder of what my leaders look like in mock casualness. GARY KRAUT, Paris.

Where Poetry Still Is News

Regarding "Back Then, Poetry Appeared Along With the Day's News" (Meanwhile, Sept. 6): No less than Penelope Laurans, I regret the disappearance of poetry from newspapers. But I am pleased to report that this state of affairs is not universal. The Madrid paper Ya recently pub-



"I WAS RUNNING LATE BUT IF I BOUGHT IT ON THE PLANE SHE'D THROW IT AT ME."

Susannah can smell a duty free perfume a mile off. She says it makes her feel like an afterthought. So this time I made sure my offering was shop bought and gift wrapped. But for some reason, she seemed unimpressed. 'I nearly missed the plane getting you that' I protested loudly. 'If checking out of the Marriott hadn't been so fast, I would have.' Susannah gave me a hug. 'I'm not interested in perfume, silly. I'm just really happy you found the time to think of me.'







# With the Flame Out, South Korea's Focus Returns to Burning Issues

By Fred Hiatt  
Washington Post Service

SEOUL — A middle-aged Korean bureaucrat, who had just been swept away by Olympic fever, watched on television as three Korean girls won the gold, silver and bronze medals in archery.

"They were about my daughter's age, and as they walked up to accept their medals, they were smiling bashfully, but they also showed a kind of inner confidence," he said. "And I thought, 'Maybe this is our next generation.'"

There is a consensus among Koreans that South Korea has bolstered its confidence through the successful staging of the Olympic Games — and that the nation will need every ounce of that confidence in the coming months.

Even before the flame was extinguished in the closing ceremonies on Sunday, this hard-charging, fast-developing nation was focusing on what comes next. And although most politicians and diplomats said they were optimistic about South Korea's future, they also forecast

some rocky times as the nation faces conflicts and problems that it submerged in the interests of Olympic peace. "We don't have time for a post-Olympic lull," a newspaper editor said. "We'll jump right into the political debate."

That debate will focus on several key issues, including the U.S.-South Korean relationship and Seoul's nascent ties with the Communist world, especially its longtime rival, North Korea. But at the top of the agenda will be what South Koreans call democratization: their continuing experiment in trying to move peacefully from decades of authoritarian military rule to a civilian-ruled, pluralistic society.

The debate is likely to be charged with tension between the right wing and the military, who worry about the erosion of order in the face of a North Korean threat, and opposition forces who fear the conservatives have not reconciled themselves to democracy.

"If President Roh Tae Woo has any single goal, I think democracy, without any adjectives, without any conditions, is the one," said Hyun Hong Choo, minister for

legislative affairs. "And in doing so, he has to respond to all these exploding demands from students, laborers, the underprivileged class, the middle class."

If everyone wants democracy, however, few agree on exactly what it means or how to accomplish the goal. Major strides have been made, including the direct presidential election in December in which Mr. Roh emerged victorious, and the parliamentary elections this year in which the ruling party lost its majority for the first time.

Much more needs to be done to achieve real democracy. And without the restraining influence of the Olympics and the world attention that the Games focused on the country, the issues are likely to be debated with more emotion and, some worry, with more violence.

Some South Koreans say they fear the nation's mood may turn sour as it enters a kind of post-Olympic depression. After seven years and more than \$3 billion of preparations, they say, South Korea will suddenly find itself without a unifying goal.

In particular, they say, some Seoul residents may feel resentful that despite years of government propaganda,

their lives will not seem improved by the Games and the money spent on them, and a post-Olympic inflationary cycle could make life seem a bit worse.

But many Seoul residents say they do not believe the nation will descend into depression or disorder. Many South Koreans never seemed as excited about the Olympics as the government wanted them to be; now they are focusing on the next challenge.

Before South Korea can start shaping the future, however, it faces the explosive challenge of coming to terms with its past. Chun Doo Hwan, the former general and president who took power in a 1980 coup and retired in February, is so unpopular that he could not attend the opening ceremony of the Games he helped bring to Seoul.

The opposition — and, public-opinion polls show, a large majority of South Koreans — want to see the reported corruption and abuse of power of the Chun years exposed. The demands pose a delicate challenge for Mr. Roh. Though he was elected in balloting considered by independent observers to be essentially fair, Mr. Roh is a retired general who supported Mr. Chun's coup and

served in his administration. Mr. Roh, moreover, is only the most visible of many Chun holdovers.

The administration must thus satisfy public demand for justice without implicating itself, touching off large-scale purges or alienating its right-wing supporters. Its hope, politicians here say, is to persuade Mr. Chun to apologize and move on to other issues as quickly as possible.

On the domestic front, said Mr. Hyun, the legislative affairs minister, the country must democratize those institutions that atrophied under authoritarian rule: political parties, a free press, labor unions, the National Assembly.

For the opposition, the test of democracy will be in the dismantling of old, repressive laws and bureaucracies, the holding of elections for local officials for the first time in three decades and the loosening of labor laws that have helped force many workers to contribute to the nation's economic miracle without sharing its benefits.

Indeed, many politicians and diplomats say the economy may be the key; with continued growth and a fairer distribution of wealth, political development, too, will be nurtured.

## Huge Malay Arms Deal Signals Determination To Upgrade Defenses

By Michael Richardson  
International Herald Tribune

SINGAPORE — By deciding to turn to Britain for advanced military equipment, Malaysia has demonstrated its determination to protect its oil fields, sea lanes and islands in the South China Sea from possible encroachment by other powers in the region, including China and Vietnam.

Malaysian officials and Western defense experts said the signing last week of a memorandum of understanding covering the supply of Tornado fighter-bombers, submarines and other British arms worth at least \$1.7 billion also reflected intense competition among Western allies to enlarge their share of the arms market in Asia and the Pacific.

Both the United States and France offered combat aircraft, submarines and other hardware to Malaysia but had been outbid by Britain, the sources said.

Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad of Malaysia, who signed the preliminary agreement Tuesday in London with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, said that Britain had offered attractive terms.

They included trade arrangements that would enable Malaysia to pay for a substantial part of the arms in oil and other commodities.

Mr. Mahathir explained that the deal, to be spread out over a period of up to 10 years, would enable Malaysia to upgrade its defenses without having to make a big increase in its military budget.

Some of the equipment, he said, would be used to improve border patrols, "particularly against possible encroachment from aggressive elements in our economic zones."

These zones extend 200 nautical miles (370 kilometers) from Malaysia and contain offshore oil and natural gas fields.

General Hisham Mohamed Ali, Malaysia's armed forces chief, said military modernization was necessary because of a growing presence of big powers in the South China Sea and the need to protect sea lanes connecting peninsular Malaysia with the Malaysian states of Sabah and Sarawak on Borneo island.

Malaysia has stationed troops on a number of disputed islands in the Spratly chain that are close to Sabah. Part of the area is also claimed by the Philippines.

China, Vietnam and Taiwan each claim sovereignty over the whole of the Spratly archipelago and vast areas of adjacent sea, and have placed troops on some of the islands.

James McCoy, a military analyst at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, said the Tornado, a supersonic all-weather jet, had "a very significant maritime strike capability."

The Tornado is built jointly by British Aerospace and several European aircraft manufacturers.

Mr. McCoy said it was "in a league of equipment very much more modern and very much more sophisticated" than that possessed by most of the other participants in the Spratly dispute.

Experts said the strike version of the Tornado could carry a full load of bombs and rockets to a target 750 nautical miles away and return to base without refueling.

British defense industry sources said that Malaysia was interested in both the strike Tornado and the air



Map of Southeast Asia showing Malaysia, Singapore, and surrounding regions.

defense model but had not yet decided whether to go for one or both. Other analysts said Malaysia was expected to place an initial order with British Aerospace for about 12 Tornados, worth \$845 million, and 12 Rapier air defense missile batteries.

Western defense attachés said Malaysia's choice of the Tornado appeared to rule out acquisition of the U.S. F-16 Fighting Falcon or the French Mirage 2000 jet fighter.

One attaché said that because Singapore, Thailand and Indonesia had selected the F-16, the U.S. manufacturer, General Dynamics, and the U.S. Defense Department had thought it would only be a matter of time before Malaysia followed.

However, the British government and defense industries, working closely together, came up with a total package for Malaysia that had brought "a new dimension to the way arms deals may be handled in the future," the attaché said.

"The simplistic one-on-one deal of arms for cash might be a thing of the past if you really want to be an aggressive player in the market," he said.

Apart from oil, Malaysia has abundant natural gas, rubber, palm oil, tin and cocoa.

Analysts said that, in addition to the Tornados and missiles, Malaysia wanted to purchase long-range artillery, military communications systems and one or two submarines from Britain as part of the deal.

## Regime's Threats in Burma Break 8-Week Strike

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

RANGOON, Burma — Thousands of civil servants and factory workers returned to work Monday after eight weeks as the military government appeared to have broken Burma's first general strike in 26 years.

"I would say 90 percent are going back to offices and factories," an opposition figure in the Burma capital said.

Buses were operating on the city's streets, especially in factory areas. They had been a rare sight in the capital for more than a month because strikes at oil refineries made fuel scarce.

Rebellious students have urged workers forced to return to their jobs through threats or because they needed money to strike again after being paid. As an alternative, they urged them to stay at their jobs without working.

The government warned in announcements Sunday that anyone who "prevents, obstructs or interferes with workers returning to work on Oct. 3 will be dealt with sternly." The government had earlier warned that workers who did not return Monday could be dismissed. The strike began Aug. 8.

An opposition spokesman said the government had arrested eight prominent opposition leaders, including two popular dancers, an actor and a military official.

Tin Co, president of the opposition National League for Democracy, said the government had dismissed the heads of the post office and the Inland Waterways Transport Corp. and a top official in the Ministry of Communications for refusing to return to work.

Witnesses said soldiers broke up an anti-government demonstration by a small group of youths, but there were no reports of injuries.

The army had set Monday as a deadline for a return to work shortly after it seized power on Sept. 18. Western diplomats in Rangoon said the coup was a false one intended to keep old-guard rulers in power.

Civil servants and workers at state enterprises, which cover virtually every industry in Burma's tightly controlled economy, were informed that they would lose their

jobs if they did not return to work. Over the weekend, the government outlawed any organization whose members encouraged "the undermining or stopping of the operation of state administrative machinery." Violators face five-year prison terms.

Convoys carrying troops wound through the streets in several areas of the capital. Hundreds of troops surrounded the city hall and lined the street in front of it.

Western diplomats said the general strike appeared to be the last effective weapon of pro-democracy forces in Burma, which since late July have tried to topple an entrenched authoritarian system.

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## Du Pont Says It Reported Accidents

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The operator of the Savannah River plant in South Carolina that produces fuel for nuclear weapons, E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., said that it had fully disclosed information about a number of serious accidents at the complex. Two congressional committees had said that the accidents were kept secret from the public for as long as 31 years.

In a statement issued Sunday, two days after the accidents were revealed at the congressional hearing, the company confirmed that they had taken place at the plant, which is near Aiken. Du Pont said the accidents were reported to the federal government at the time they occurred.

However, a senior manager at the Energy Department, which oversees the plant's operations,

said Sunday that he had not known of the incidents before last week.

A memorandum written in 1985 by a Du Pont scientist to his superiors and disclosed Friday at the hearing summarized 30 "reactor incidents of greatest significance" at the Savannah River plant.

The accidents, which occurred from 1957 to 1985 in all five of the government-owned plant's reactors, were among the most severe ever documented at a U.S. nuclear facility, experts said.

A spokesman for Du Pont, Cliff Webb, said descriptions of the accidents, which included the melting of fuel and extensive radioactive contamination, were contained in technical reports on the plant's activities. He said the reports were filed every month with the regional office of the Energy Department and its predecessor, the Atomic Energy Commission, in Aiken.

## Pretoria Offer Is Discounted

Reuters

JOHANNESBURG — Three black activists who have taken refuge in the U.S. Consulate in Johannesburg said in a letter published Monday they did not trust the government's promise of immunity from detention without trial.

"There was no way we were going to take the government at its word," the United Democratic Front's publicist, Murphy Morobe, said in a letter to Johannesburg's black Sowetan newspaper.

Mr. Morobe and his colleagues, Mohammed Valli and Yusuf Khan-

yle, escaped from the police on Sept. 13, during a visit to a civilian hospital, and fled to the U.S. Consulate. They had been detained without trial for more than a year.

## 2 Missing in Himalaya Climb

The Associated Press

KATMANDU, Nepal — A Japanese climber and a Sherpa guide were swept away by an avalanche and apparently killed last week while on a climbing expedition in the Himalayas. The Nepalese Tourism Ministry said Monday that Akhiko Mori, 43, of Tokyo and Ang Dewa Sherpa, 27, were descending from 5,900 meters (19,350 feet) on Mount Annapurna I on Thursday after having carried up supplies when they were reported missing after the avalanche.

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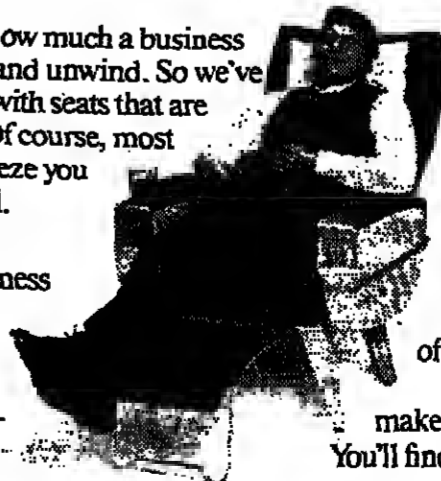
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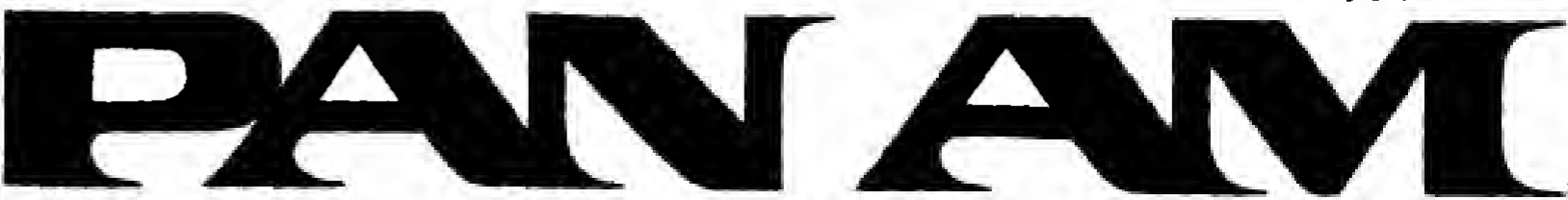
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NYSE Recoups its Early Losses

NEW YORK — Stock prices closed lower Monday in slow trading on the New York Stock Exchange, but managed to escape substantial losses on the strength of a late round of buying. The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 22.23 points last week, fell 7.65 to close at 2,105.26. The index fell more than 25 points in late morning activity and was down more than 17 points less than an hour to the close. Declines topped advances by a more than 9-5 ratio. Volume slowed to 130.58 million shares, compared with 175.75 million traded Friday. "Given that our attention span, especially money managers, is so short these days, we are going to get volatility within a tight trading range," said Harry Miller, portfolio analyst with Johnson, Lane, Space, Smith & Co. in Atlanta. "We have a trading bias in the market, not an investment bias," Mr. Miller said. "A lot of people are looking for a lot of answers that just aren't there." He said the market remained hostage to individual economic reports, the next being the September unemployment report, due on Friday morning. "We go from week to week looking for the next number," Mr. Miller said. "The hope being that the number will push us into something. But no one number is strong enough to do that. There are enough negatives out there and enough positives out there that we end up doing nothing."

Broad market indexes also retreated. The New York Stock Exchange index fell 0.34 to 153.23. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index dropped 0.53 to 271.38. The price of an average share lost 7 cents. "The market did not look very good going out Friday," said Ricky Harrington, chief technical analyst with Interstate Securities Corp. in Charlotte, North Carolina. "In each of the last seven quarters we have seen an abrupt change in the market in the first few sessions of a new quarter," Mr. Harrington said. "The institutions are so dominant in this market, when a quarter ends they can quickly become net sellers or net buyers." Mr. Harrington said the weakness in the technology sector "continues to be a problem for this market as it has been for the last three months. In addition, the market's inability to break through to new highs in the face of falling oil prices must be seen as a negative." Bankers Trust was the most active issuer, up 1/4 to 39. Carolina Power & Light followed, up 1/4 to 35. Middle South Utilities was third, ahead 1/4 to 15. AT&T was unchanged at 26. IBM was down 1/4 to 114. In the technology sector, Digital Equipment was down 1 to 92.34, Cray Research was down 3/4 to 69.4, Texas Instruments was down 1/2 to 40.7, Unisys ex-dividend was down 1/4 to 32.4 and Hewlett-Packard was down 1/4 to 49.4.

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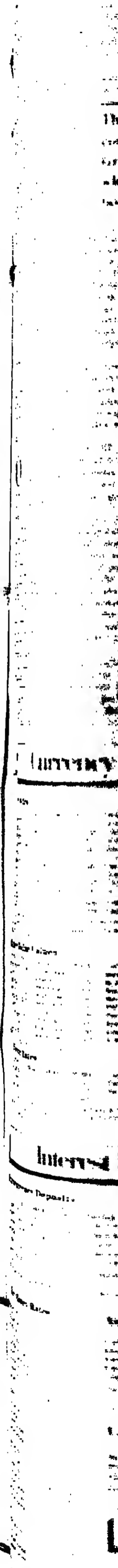
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Versace and a Sensual Rebound

By Suzy Menkes

MILAN — Gianni Versace is back in form. He celebrated the sensual woman who is so much a part of Italian fashion.

The show majored in pants Sunday night, yet everything seemed to focus on the bosom. Soft pants molded the hips and then soared up under the bust, cinching in a billowing blouse.

The top halves were scooped out at the neck or were just tiny bodices, stitched like a 1950's bra, above a long-line torso.

Yet in many ways it was a quiet show from a mature designer. Splatters of sunshine color — lemon yellow, orange, grass green — were balanced by a great deal of black or ink blue.

Evening dresses were often complex in cut, but clean and uncomplicated in the overall line. That was uncompromisingly short and tight for skirts, while pants were fluid.

Versace's daytime look was a jacket, waist- or hip-length, but always molded to the body and teamed with pants, that looked fresh and sporty worn with flat shoes, although heels later rose to dizzying heights.

The new pant has flat pleats at the front, plain at the back and falls softly to the ankle. It is sure to be copied as much as Versace's mille-feuille layered skirt that is selling everywhere.

Other pants had a sarong drape to the front to give a skirt effect. A high-waist line that winged up against the bosom looked distorted.

Some pants were wide, others narrow and they came in any fabric as long as it draped: glove-soft suede, crepe, silk and some rather busy prints. Patterned fabrics seem to be having a revival in Milan for the summer season.

Another strength is the dress, and Versace's most striking example stopped high up the thigh, a playful tea-cosy shift in acid yellow or melon decorated with fancy tassels.

This was generally a happy show, and although it could have been edited, was full of ideas. These came mostly in the inventive cutting, which is hard to read on the runway. Bias-cut cocktail dresses flowed across the body in overlapping waves of fabric.

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Missing altogether were Versace's swimsuits, or much sense of high summer. The lineup of celebrity guests included the game Greta Scacchi, in a navy Versace jacket and striped pants, who was a hit in the movie "Heat and Dust."

The show ended with Versace's signature metal mesh: evening dresses slithering across the body from a bra made of lacy mesh flowers.

That will be a museum piece for the major Versace exhibition to be staged next March at Milan's Sforzesco castle.

Color is a hot story in Milan. Suedes in patchworks of spicy color came out at Mario Valentino, where the mood was ethnic. Blanket stitching, easy T-shirt and jacket shapes and the warm Indian colors from curry red to burnt orange looked young and sporty.

Samba rhythms pounded out the upbeat mood of this Italian fashion season for the Byblos show, which was colorful to a fault. Prints of hummingbirds, fruit and jungle flowers rampaged over the collection, where the mostly long skirts went with a swing and the pants were all wide and soft.

Take away the sombreros, flower garlands and even the siz-

zling colors and you were left with chirpy separates, mostly short jackets with poms, sarong skirts or wrap-front pants. The wide-leg pants were more of a culotte skirt and looked good when colors quieted down to navy or tobacco.

Dresses, fitted in the body and flowing out in the calf-length skirt, in a color spectrum from sunshine yellow to purple sunset, should bring a new generation back to one-piece dressing.

Franco Moschino is the darling of young Milan, not least because he pokes fun at high fashion, often plagiarizing with wicked wit other designer images. But was the joke on us or them, when Moschino first filled the runway with a retrospective of past ideas and then started the show with elegant pants-suits and dresses that could sell in any fashion store?

"I love Moschino, because of his sense of humor, the wit and because the clothes are very commercial," said Ellen Salzman, fashion director of Saks Fifth Avenue.

Once Moschino had proved Salzman's point that he makes regular clothes, the fun started with a burst of 1960s psychedelia. Outsize prints in wild colors were used as accents of pattern on a trim cream suit. Models with weeping willow hair and patchwork crochet bra dresses presented a surreal send-up of the hippies.

Moschino also flashed up on film his favorite message: "Fashion is full of chic." He is full of fun. A red-and-white check tablecloth print jacket pealed off to reveal a black dress with a frilly maid's apron. Flower pots appliqued as pockets and a black jacket with a giant playing card on its back were some of his jokes.

The fashion world, and especially tasteful Milan, needs Moschino.



A Gianni Versace hip-belted long-jacket pants-suit in mint green.

Vacant 'Los Alamos' Unveiled by Berlin Opera

By James Helme Sutcliffe

BERLIN — "Los Alamos," the first opera by the American composer and pianist Marc Neikrug, has been given its world premiere in West Berlin, commissioned and performed by the Deutsche Oper. The company's general manager, Götz Friedrich, has established an "opera bridge" with the United States, enabling many young singers and composers from America to have a hearing on the Berlin stage.

The Neikrug opera was four years in the making and during this period the composer lived with the Pueblo Indians in the village of Santa Clara to learn about their social structure and way of life, their beliefs and traditions. He also interviewed prominent nuclear physicists and did research in the laboratories of Los Alamos, New Mexico, where the first atomic bomb was tested, in order to tell the story of his opera with the voice of authenticity.

Each of the opera's three acts takes place about 800 years apart in the New Mexico desert. The first shows the plight of Anasazi Indians after 30 years of drought, about 1100 A.D. They are ready to be persuaded by the iconoclast Coyote that a blood sacrifice — of the leader's daughter Morning Star — will provide an answer to their problems. Eagle warns them (in his animal form, a fascinating

totem-like stylized bird) to trust the life-giving powers of nature and never to sacrifice life to save other lives.

This theme and its counterpart permeates the actions of the characters in Act 2 (1945, the period before and during the explosion of the first A-bomb, chillingly simulated on stage) and Act 3, which is set in the indefinite future. Here the threat of extermination has driven the last human beings underground where — via computer screens

work itself. Neikrug's texts, written by Joe Cacaci and translated into German by Paul Esterhazy, sound overly naive, full of well-meant if wishy-washy thinking and warnings about the world-conflagration if humanity does not renounce the misuse of nuclear energy. It is fashionable to deplore the first use of the A-bomb, and at one point a Harry Truman-like figure in the opera proclaims "Thank God we discovered it first."

The 42-year-old composer, familiar as the

phone theme from "Lulu," along with others from Wagner's "Tristan und Isolde" and a Bach prelude. Unfortunately, it lacks Berg's masterful sense of dramatic form as well as Schoenberg's rugged honesty.

Neikrug has fitted his opera out with seemingly interminably slow tempos, persistent cushions of sound over which the singers declaim in long, sustained tones. Much of the text remains unintelligible, however, because the composer has not learned to thin out his orchestral accompaniment when his characters have something important to say.

But there was no question about the superiority of the performance at the premiere Saturday, conducted by Arturo Tamayo, with William Dooley as the tribal leader Eagle, the Australian coloratura soprano Angela Denning as Morning Star, and the German actor Wolfgang Trautwein in the role of the troublemaker Coyote. The house was a quarter empty before the performance began, unusual for an opening night, and the number of empty seats seemed to grow after each of the two long intermissions. If only because the production itself is so spectacular, "Los Alamos" will remain in the repertoire for the rest of the season.

James Helme Sutcliffe is a Berlin-based critic and musician.

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—they remain poised to destroy an "enemy" at a moment's notice. Fear is all that binds and sustains them, but they rebel against this slavery to technology and the loss of contact with other forms of life. The central "brain" is demolished by Coyote, acting out the same negative role in his future reincarnation, and new forms of life appear against a glowing new world set in a spangle of stars.

The staging — by John Dow, in economical but stunningly effective settings by his long-time designer Gottfried Filz — made the evening worthwhile, more so than the

sensitive piano accompanist for the violinist Finchas Zuckerman, came to prominence in 1980 with the London performance of "Through Roses," a melodrama (actors speaking over an orchestral accompaniment) about the tramas that a violinist-survivor of Auschwitz suffers after the war.

One can argue that the operatic stage is not the place for do-good allegories like "Los Alamos," although the problems in this case are as much artistic as political. For his musical style is that of Alban Berg and Arnold Schoenberg. He quotes Berg's saxo-



Klaus Barbie

Barbie Documentary

FIFTEEN months after Klaus Barbie, the former Gestapo chief in Lyon, was convicted of crimes against humanity, Marcel Ophüls' film on the Nazi war criminal's life has opened in Europe.

The film tries to follow as much as possible — with that arid and bleak form of talking-head documentary — show-business rules. Ophüls told James M. Markham, The New York Times correspondent in Paris. "I'm not a journalist, I'm not a historian — I'm an homme de spectacle."

The film opened last week in France and is scheduled for release this week in New York and next month in Britain.

Ophüls, renowned for his direction 20 years ago of "The Sorrow and the Pity," detailing French collaboration with the Nazis, recalled in an interview that his earlier film was a political event when it came out. It proved embarrassing and painful for the French in reopening wounds and a shattering of well-entrenched Gaullist myths about a nation that had resisted the Nazis.

Ophüls' "Hotel Terminus: Klaus Barbie, His Life and Times" evolved into something far different than the director originally planned. Barbie was arrested in 1983 and extradited to France from Bolivia. The setting for the film was to have been Lyon at the time of the Gestapo chief's trial, with flashbacks to his chilling career as a torturer and nemesis of the French resistance during the war, tipster for U.S. counterintelligence in postwar Germany and, later, a shady businessman and security adviser to South American dictators. But because the trial was delayed again and again, the plan was derailed.

Instead of concentrating on the legal proceedings, the film became a roughly chronological, 4-hour-27-minute unraveling of the German's deprivations and wanderings that spans decades and continents, culminating the Nazi's enormous crimes in Lyon but recalling more banal ones elsewhere along a sprawling itinerary.



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| Dollar  | 1728 | 34 1/2 | 34 1/2 |
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| NYSE 4 a.m. volume    | 130,300,000 |
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| NYSE adv. com. close  | 1,000,000   |
| NYSE adv. com. volume | 1,000,000   |

| High       | Low    | Close  | Chg.  |
|------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Composite  | 153.26 | 152.99 | -0.27 |
| Industrial | 184.10 | 183.80 | -0.30 |
| Utilities  | 162.28 | 162.00 | -0.28 |
| Finance    | 123.28 | 123.00 | -0.28 |

**Monday's NYSE Closing**  
Via The Associated Press

| Class     | Prev. |
|-----------|-------|
| Advanced  | 181   |
| Declined  | 27    |
| Unchanged | 25    |
| New High  | 1     |
| New Low   | 1     |

| Close      | Chg.     | Year  |
|------------|----------|-------|
| Composite  | 1,177.10 | +1.00 |
| Industrial | 1,314.10 | +1.00 |
| Finance    | 1,000.00 | +1.00 |
| Insurance  | 1,000.00 | +1.00 |
| Transport  | 1,000.00 | +1.00 |

| Vol. | High | Low    | Last   | Chg. |
|------|------|--------|--------|------|
| TEXA | 248  | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | +    |
| AMCO | 248  | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | +    |
| SWAN | 248  | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | +    |
| KROG | 248  | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | +    |
| AT&T | 248  | 18 1/2 | 18 1/2 | +    |

| Class       | Chg.  |
|-------------|-------|
| Bond        | +0.12 |
| Utilities   | +0.15 |
| Industrials | +0.10 |

| Class     | Prev. |
|-----------|-------|
| Advanced  | 181   |
| Declined  | 27    |
| Unchanged | 25    |
| New High  | 1     |
| New Low   | 1     |

| Buy      | Sales     | % of Total |
|----------|-----------|------------|
| Sept. 20 | 1,843,744 | 20.8%      |
| Sept. 21 | 1,843,744 | 20.8%      |
| Sept. 22 | 1,843,744 | 20.8%      |
| Sept. 23 | 1,843,744 | 20.8%      |
| Sept. 24 | 1,843,744 | 20.8%      |

| Open   | High    | Low     | Last    | Chg.  |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| Index  | 2107.74 | 2112.11 | 2105.30 | -2.44 |
| Trans. | 181.74  | 182.11  | 181.44  | -0.29 |
| Compo. | 153.26  | 153.80  | 152.99  | -0.27 |

| High        | Low     | Close   | Chg.  |
|-------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Industrials | 2114.10 | 2114.10 | +0.00 |
| Utilities   | 2114.10 | 2114.10 | +0.00 |
| Finance     | 2114.10 | 2114.10 | +0.00 |
| Insurance   | 2114.10 | 2114.10 | +0.00 |
| Transport   | 2114.10 | 2114.10 | +0.00 |

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| Declined  | 27    |
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| High        | Low   | Close | Chg.  |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Index       | 201.5 | 201.5 | +0.00 |
| Industrials | 201.5 | 201.5 | +0.00 |
| Utilities   | 201.5 | 201.5 | +0.00 |
| Finance     | 201.5 | 201.5 | +0.00 |
| Insurance   | 201.5 | 201.5 | +0.00 |

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# NYSE Recoups its Early Losses

**United Press International**  
NEW YORK — Stock prices closed lower Monday to slow trading on the New York Stock Exchange, but managed to escape substantial losses on the strength of a late round of buying.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 22.23 points last week, fell 7.63 to close at 2,105.26. The index fell more than 25 points in the morning activity and was down more than 17 points with less than an hour to the close.

Declines topped advances by a more than 9-5 ratio. Volume slowed to 130.38 million shares, compared with 175.75 million traded Friday.

Given that our attention span, especially money managers, is so short these days, we are going to get volatility within a tight trading range," said Harry Miller, portfolio analyst with Johnson, Lane, Space, Smith & Co. in Atlanta.

"We have a trading bias in the market, not an investment bias," Mr. Miller said. "A lot of people are looking for a lot of answers that just aren't there."

He said the market remained hostage to individual economic reports, the next being the September unemployment report, due out Friday morning.

"We go from week to week looking for the next number," Mr. Miller said. "The hope being that the number will push us into something. But no one number is strong enough to do that. There are enough negatives out there and enough positives out there that we end up doing nothing."

| 12 Month High | Low    | Stock | Div. Yld. | PE   | 52 High | 52 Low | Close  | Chg. |
|---------------|--------|-------|-----------|------|---------|--------|--------|------|
| 17 1/2        | 16 1/2 | AI    | 1.00      | 10.0 | 17 1/2  | 16 1/2 | 17 1/2 | +    |
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U.S. Futures

Via The Associated Press

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WHEAT (CBOT)

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Metals

COPPER (COMEX)

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Stock Indexes

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Moody's Commodity Index

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Taiwan Alters Stock Tax After Prices Plunge

TAIPEI — Giving into pressure that sent stock prices in Taiwan down by 9 percent in four trading sessions, the government on Monday said it has modified an unpopular plan to tax profits on equity transactions by raising the threshold above which the levy is to apply.

Finance Minister Shirley Kuo said the new tax, to take effect Jan. 1, would be imposed on profits on sales of shares exceeding 10 million Taiwan dollars (\$349,650) each year. She had previously proposed a ceiling of 3 million Taiwan dollars.

A ministry spokesman said Ms. Kuo also agreed at a meeting with parliamentary members of the ruling Nationalist party to lower a stock transaction tax to 0.15 percent from 0.3 percent, also effective Jan. 1.

Stock prices plunged in Taiwan starting last Thursday. The decline was sparked by Ms. Kuo's announcement of the tax on the previous Saturday. After a four-day closure during an autumn festival, the market index fell from a record high of 8,789.58 to 7,990.75 on Monday, when it lost 215.68 points.

But trading volume rose substantially in the Monday session, to 8.68 billion Taiwan dollars, up from Saturday's dismal 132 million.

The decision to modify the tax followed protests by hundreds of investors calling for the resignation of Ms. Kuo and of Prime Minister Yu Kuo-hua. It also drew fire from Nationalist members of parliament, some of whom are directors of local brokerages. After the modification was announced, legislators who had threatened to invoke the constitution to forestall the tax agreed to drop a motion calling for its postponement.

Brokers expressed a cautious attitude about the near-term effect of the announcement on the market.

John Engles of King Kong Securities said selling pressure remained strong. He said he expected the market to continue its decline to the 7,500 mark, before a possible turnaround.

Before the tax announcement, the market index had gained more than 6,000 points this year, rising from 2,341 on Jan. 5, the first day of trading.

After prices began to deteriorate, the four investment trust companies that manage Taiwan stock funds for overseas investors suspended payments on redemptions by domestic investors. The move did not affect overseas funds. (Reuters/UPI)

NYSE Highs-Lows

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AMEX Highs-Lows

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Spot Commodities

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Dividends

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U.S. Treasuries

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2 Officials of EC Criticize Thatcher

BRUSSELS — Two members of the European Commission criticized Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain on Monday for her reservations about greater West European unity.

Lord Cockfield of Britain and Peter Sutherland of Ireland, 2 of the 17 commissioners on the EC's executive body, used speeches in Zurich and Berlin to attack Mrs. Thatcher.

"Those who oppose the abolition of the internal frontiers and the frontier controls will impoverish Europe and impoverish themselves," said Lord Cockfield in Zurich. He is the architect of the EC's campaign to create a giant barrier-free market by the end of 1992. Lord Cockfield called Mrs. Thatcher's displeasure with plans to bring indirect taxes into line in the community, and he is being replaced in Brussels when his term expires in January.

In Berlin, Mr. Sutherland, EC competition commissioner, attacked Mrs. Thatcher's view that a single EC market could function with differing sales tax rates. He said such a view was either "extremely naive" or held by a person who does not "want to see the internal market brought about."

Saudi Arabia Considers Producing Newsprint

RIYADH — Saudi Arabia may set up a 180,000-ton-a-year newsprint plant to meet the needs of Gulf Arab states and other allies, an industry official said.

Mahmoud Galal, chairman of National Industrialization Co., said in a statement that a Swedish company was conducting a feasibility study for the plant and that up to \$270 million could be invested in the project.

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| 11 1/2        | 11 1/2 | ABT   | 2.50 10 1/2  | 1993    | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | + 1/4  |
| 1 1/2         | 1 1/2  | ABX   | 1.00 10 1/2  | 1993    | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 7 1/2 | + 1/4  |
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### NOTICE SINGAPORE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE REVISED TERMS OF TENDER

The Singapore Entertainment Centre, a large scale theme park on a 21-hectare site of prime land with sea frontage will be sold under revised terms. Land premium will be by competitive bid. Closing date for submission of tenders is now 12 October 1988, 12.00 noon.

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### Kuwait Discloses Stake Of 5% in Midland Bank

LONDON — The Kuwaiti state investment arm disclosed Monday that it had built up a 5 percent stake in one of the Big Four British commercial banks, Midland Bank PLC.

The Kuwait Investment Office said in a statement that it owned 5.1 percent of the bank. A Midland spokesman said the agency had been building up the stake during the course of the year.

"We knew it was increasing its stake and we feel comfortable with it," he said. "But we didn't know it was close to or above 5 percent." British rules require that a shareholding must be disclosed if it reaches that level.

Midland Bank shares fell to 414.5 pence at the close on the London Stock Exchange, in line with the market's decline, from 421 pence on Friday.

The Kuwaiti agency had for several years held 2 to 3 percent of Midland, the fourth-biggest British commercial bank. The group is Midland's third-biggest shareholder after the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp., with 14.9 percent, and British-based Hanson PLC, which has 5.2 percent.

The Kuwait Investment Office caused a stir in Britain earlier this year with purchases of the stock of British Petroleum Co., in which it now holds 22 percent.

Its investments worldwide are estimated by bankers to be worth \$80 billion, funded from surplus oil revenue.

### Floating-Rate Notes

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### Currency Market

NEW YORK — The dollar fell to a low of 163.25 against the yen, its lowest since late 1987, as investors sought to hedge against a possible recession in Japan.

The dollar also fell against the Swiss franc, the German mark and the British pound, as investors sought to hedge against a possible recession in Europe.

The dollar fell against the Australian dollar, the New Zealand dollar and the Hong Kong dollar, as investors sought to hedge against a possible recession in Asia.

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CURRENCY MARKETS

Dollar Dips as Downside is Tested

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK — The dollar fell in dull trading Monday after the breach of a key support level and a renewed decline in oil prices reinforced the market's desire to probe the U.S. currency's lower levels, dealers said.

The dollar fell through support at 1.8625 Deutsche marks in the morning, depressed in part by brisk corporate sales in Europe. A drop in oil prices, and a warning by Saudi Arabia that it would not cut into its market share, added to the downward pressure.

These factors added weight to expectations that the U.S. Federal Reserve System will not be forced to raise interest rates to fight inflation before the November U.S. election, dealers said.

The dollar fell to 1.8618 DM from 1.8690 at Friday's close and dropped to 133.65 yen from 133.75.

London Dollar Rates

Table with 3 columns: Country, Rate, % Chg. Includes Deutsche mark, Swiss franc, French franc, and British pound.

The dollar also slid to 1.5815 Swiss francs from 1.5835 and to 6.3385 French francs from 6.3635.

The British pound firmed against a weakening dollar to close at \$1.7018 from Friday's \$1.6925.

"It is perceived that as oil prices drop, interest rates will come down a bit," said Kathy Jones, a currency analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in Chicago.

Analysts said the dollar is likely to trade at lower levels and within a

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MODEL: West German Companies Provide an Example as 1992 Nears

(Continued from first finance page)

L&M last December has also helped keep German exports from falling, allowing German manufacturers to catch their breath as they rush to cut costs.

Another explanation comes from Wolf-Dieter Degau, managing director of sales for Tramb AG, a machinery maker based in a Stuttgart suburb.

"The decline of the dollar has affected our business, but not nearly as much as everyone expected," he said.

Mr. Degau's medium-sized company, with \$150 million in revenue last year, is typical of many German exporters.

Even though Tramb is not huge, it is as export-minded as any American or German multinational plant. Selling goods in 80 countries, it exports almost 40 percent of its production.

Its metal-cutting, gouging and punching machines often going to automobile, aircraft and appliance makers.

"In Germany, not only the big companies, but also the medium-sized ones are export-oriented," said Mr. Degau, the German Federation of Industry.

Mr. Degau said one of the reasons for his company's success in exporting is the recognition that price is just one of many factors. German business has long received high marks on these other factors: quality, prompt delivery, after-sales service.

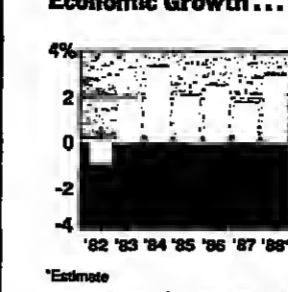
To meet its customer's particular needs, Tramb often programs the computers that run the metal-cutting machines it sells.

When the market started to soar against the dollar, Tramb felt the effects right away. Mr. Degau said his company has been reducing costs by about 3 percent a year, and a drop in the cost of dollar-denominated raw materials has also helped.

A Mixed Financial Report for West Germany

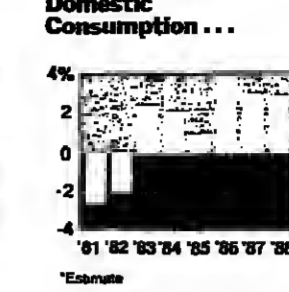
Although the West Germany economy has grown at a robust rate this year, the nation's overall health is still far from strong.

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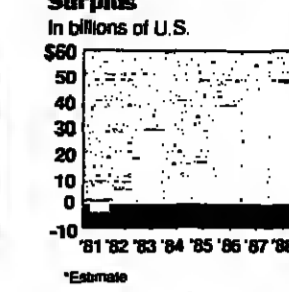
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... Growing Trade Surplus...



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He added that he has been pleasantly surprised that many customers from dollar areas are willing to pay 20 percent more than they had been paying, confident that German machines are more sophisticated and durable than the competition.

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Bundesbank Officer Urges Early Start on EC Central Bank

By Reginald Dale

International Herald Tribune

PARIS — A senior West German central bank official urged Monday that a core of seven European Community countries, led by France and West Germany, go ahead with the creation of a European central bank without necessarily waiting for Britain and other members.

Clans Kohler, a member of the Bundesbank's board of governors, said that a European economic and currency union, under the aegis of a European Central Bank, should ideally include all 12 community countries.

But time was too short for the countries that had gone the furthest toward currency union to have to wait for lagging countries to catch up, Mr. Kohler said at a meeting in

Paris organized by La Revue d'Economie Financiere, a quarterly economic journal.

"Can the seven countries wait until the last country has reached the same speed as the others?" he asked. The pace of world economic change was such that European economic and currency union had to be achieved during the 1990s.

Mr. Kohler said the seven countries that were currently in a position to take the final step to economic and currency union were Belgium, Denmark, France, West Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.

These are the countries that have locked their currencies into the jointly floating European exchange rate mechanism, in which exchange rates can only deviate by up to 2.25 percent from a central point.

Mr. Kohler disapproved Italy from the group, on the grounds that the lira is still free to deviate by up to 6 percent in either direction from its central rate.

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Monday's OTC Prices

NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time.

This list, compiled by the AP, consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar volume.

Via The Associated Press

Table of OTC prices for various stocks including A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

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To Our Readers

The Over the Counter stock listing has been updated and revised, effective Monday.



BOOKS

ANYTHING FOR BILLY

By Larry McMurtry. 382 pages. \$18.95. Simon & Schuster, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10020.

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

IN his Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "Lonesome Dove" (1985), Larry McMurtry reinvented, even as he torpedooed, many of America's essential frontier myths. His rambling, homespun account of a trail drive provided us with their mishaps and their dreams, it gave us a wonderfully immediate picture of the rough-and-tumble West of the 1870s.

Having leaped a century ahead in his previous novel ("Texasville"), McMurtry returns in "Anything for Billy" to the historical past of "Lonesome Dove."

This time, however, his hero is not a fictional creation, but the famous outlaw known as Billy the Kid — "the wandering boy," "young Galahad," the "white star of the West, whose dust is now one with the billions and billions of particles that compose that ancient plain."

A lifetime resident of that strange no-man's land halfway between history and legend, Billy leads himself perfectly to McMurtry's interest in myth making. As seen through the eyes of McMurtry's narrator — a dime-novel writer by the name of Ben Sippy — Billy emerges as a tragicomic figure, by turns funny, touching and altogether appalling. He's a naive, amoral kid, blasé about gunning down men and children in cold blood, but frightened of thunder and lightning.

There is a vulnerability and loss to him that inspires paternal protectiveness on the part of his male pals and sexual solicitude on the part of women. Like so many of McMurtry's heroes, he is also given to sudden bouts of sadness. In Sippy's view, Billy is as much a victim of history as a mirror of it. A nearly incompetent marksman, he apparently blundered into ootierity, watched his reputation swell on gossip and exaggeration, then fought to live up to the legend, leaving in his wake a growing pile of bodies.

"Anything for Billy" is constantly reminding the reader of the disparity between the mythic West of pulp fiction and the considerably less romantic reality of day-to-day life on the frontier. Sippy, a wealthy Philadelphia who has written such dime-novels as "Sandygraw in Comanche Land" and "Mutes of the Mesa; or, the Shepherd's Remorse," has become so enamored of the adventures he has created that he leaves his wife and nine daughters to try his hand at robbing trains, but quickly slams up against the grubby facts of life in the fabled West.

Eventually, in the wake of Billy's death, Sippy returns home to Philadelphia, and tries to make the move from pulp fiction to serious literature. Presumably the account that we are reading is his attempt to turn his unsuccessful dime-novel "Billy the Kid; or, The Wandering Boy's Doom" into highbrow art. Thanks to McMurtry's fluent storytelling powers, "Anything for Billy" succeeds in providing the pleasures of both forms.

Michiko Kakutani is on the staff of The New York Times.

CHESS

By Robert Byrne

THE 56th Soviet championship ended in Moscow in August with a tie for first place between the world champion, Garry Kasparov, and his perpetual challenger, Anatoly Karpov. The two giants of the chess world topped an impressive field with identical 11½-5½ scores. The fast-rising Valery Salov and Artur Yusupov shared third place with 10-7. Kasparov has never better shown off his extraordinary skill in mating combinations than in his game with I. Smirin.

The anti-King's Indian system with 9 N2 that Kasparov used with White was what he had to face with the black pieces in the 17th game of his title match with Karpov last October in Seville, Spain. Instead of 10...N47, Smirin would have done well to copy Kasparov's play in tracing the queen-side against attack by 10...c5.

Of course, Smirin wanted to attack the white king with 13...a4 and 15...g5, but Kasparov's queen-side attack was speeded by the positional pawn sacrifice, 16...c3, which could not be accepted without weakening the black pawn position.

Smirin could not protect his d pawn by 20...Qc7 because 21 Qb5 (threatening 22 Nc3!) 21...Kf8 22 Rf1 Qb7 23 Kf1 24 Nc5 yields White three pawns plus enormous positional advantage for the sacrificed

knight. So, he had to pull back the king knight with 20...Nc8.

Kasparov gave himself space to defend his king with 21 g4 — he could resume his queenside attack at his leisure. After 22 h2 g4, it would have given Black counterchances to play 23 f4? of 24 g4 and 25 Qb4.

Smirin could have obtained simplification by 24...Rf3 25 Rf3 Bg4, but after 26 Rb4, followed by 26 Bc3, Black would remain under pressure.

Kasparov's 31 Qf1! was a pawn sacrifice played with deeply thought-out attacking plans. After 31...Bb5 32 Rb5 R44 33 Bg2 34 Bb4, it would have been wrong to play 34...Na7? 35 Rb5 b5 because 36 Nc3 would fatally threaten 37 Ng4 or 37 Nf5.

Smirin hoped to get safely out of the pin of the queen bishop with 34...Qe2, but Kasparov struck at once with 35 Bf6!, the beginning of an incredible attack. After 35...Rf6 36 Rf6 Qb5, it certainly looked as though the champion would have to take perpetual check beginning with 37 Rf8.

But then he produced his beautiful key to the problem-like position — 37 R6f1! To gobble the piece now with 37...Rc4? would permit 38 Qf1, leaving Black without a defense to the threat of 39 Re8 Kf7 40 Qf5 mate.

On 37...Kc8, Kasparov produced another beautifully lethal blow — 38 Bf3! and after R6f4 the crowning glory — 39 Rb6! The penalty for winning the white queen with 39...Qc5 40 Kh1! Rcl was to be 41 Be6 mate.



Position after 38...Rc4

Smirin had to chop the offered rook with 39...Bh6, but almost immediately, after 41 Qf6, he observed that 41...Kf7 42 Qf7 Bg7 43 Bf5 Kh8 44 Qb5 Kc8 45 Be6 brings about 45...Kf8 46 Qf7 mate. Smirin gave up.

Table with chess notation and scores for various players like AEG, Allon, Alton, etc.

World Stock Markets

Via Agence France Presse. Closing prices in local currencies, Oct. 3

Table of stock market data for Amsterdam, including companies like ABN Bank, AEG, and scores.

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Table of stock market data for Seoul, including companies like 1100 Bank, and scores.

Table of stock market data for Taipei, including companies like 1100 Bank, and scores.

ACROSS crossword puzzle grid with clues like '1 Betrayed', '5 Luminary', etc.

WEATHER forecast table for Europe, Asia, North America, Africa, Latin America, and Oceania.

JUMBLE word game with a grid of letters and clues like 'VUCER', 'HERB', 'ZEEMYN', 'RAWHOR'.

Goldsplog advertisement for West Germany, featuring a sheep and text about quality craftsmanship and Goldstar TVs/VCRs.

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59 Fencing sword
60 Aide: Abbi.
61 Catch one's breath
62 Patron saint of Norway
63 Colorful fall beauties
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65 Certain overgreens
66 Crow's home
67 Tinhorn
68 Baseball stat.

PEANUTS comic strip panels with dialogue about 'WHEN WE SET IN I'LL WANT SOME POPCORN AND AN EXTRA LARGE ROOT BEE...'.

BLONDIE comic strip panels with dialogue about 'SALLY AND BOB, WHY MUST YOU ALWAYS ARGUE?'.

DOONESBURY comic strip panels with dialogue about 'THE BIRD SINGERS DUNE FOR THEIR WISE, CONFIDENT'.

ANDY CAPP comic strip panels with dialogue about 'WHY MOVE DEAR FOR THE SAKE OF ALTERNATIONS?'.

WIZARD OF ID comic strip panels with dialogue about 'SURE, THIS IS BAMBI, FROM THE STENO POOL'.

REX MORGAN comic strip panels with dialogue about 'DR. MORGAN SAID YOU'D BE IN THE HOSPITAL IN THE MORNING, JEFFREY!'.

GARFIELD comic strip panels with dialogue about 'JON'S DRIVING ME CRAZY'.

Solution to Previous Puzzle grid with words like TUNA, ETHIC, SWAN, APAT, NOISE, KALE, COMEBACK, ASIA, OLE, HOLD, TETHER, SUBJECTS, ALIVE, ODE, IMMENSED, GOST, FREE, ORE, ALOOF, IRE, OUSE, REF, IDLER, ITEM, LATHERED, SIN, SALAD, SOAKSUP, SCOLDS, SCUM, TNS, OLAS, TAKESABATH, WIPE, IRENE, ARIA, NOISY, CAWED, STEW.

Large advertisement for J.K. Lipton's, featuring a stylized logo and promotional text.



SPORTS

Undefeated Bengals Rout Raiders, 45-21

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
LOS ANGELES — The Cincinnati Bengals, winners just four times last season, improved to their best start in 13 years by dominating the Los Angeles Raiders here Sunday.

"Our defense played beautifully and our offense came up one yard short of 500 yards," said Coach Sam Wyche, who survived last season's disappointments to serve the final year of a five-year contract.

Owners Paul and Mike Brown never told Wyche how much improvement the team needed to show, but it's doing its share to keep Wyche around.

"We're not the 1,246 fights that makes this hard. It's the 1,246 controversies you have to deal with."

Raiders: "They best us in all phases of the game. We had chances early to get the momentum, but we didn't take advantage of it."

NFL ROUNDUP

The Biggest Games: Gaudy and Complete

By Ken Denlinger
Washington Post Service
SEOUL — The appropriate word for the Games of the XXIV Olympiad was big. Never had so many athletes from so many countries started such a risky venture.

Thompson gambled that defense would mean more than outside shooting — and lost. Because the Soviets used it so effectively, perhaps copycat U.S. college coaches will emphasize three-point shots even more.

The IOC is fairly certain its Games will not be compelling if somebody's doctor can devise a way to fill the stadium. So it says to every federation, from tennis track and field to recklessly loose weightlifting: "We'll go after the cheaters if you won't."

The prize catch here was a whopper. The best competitor (Ben Johnson) in the most popular event (the men's 100-meter dash) of the most alluring venue (track and field).

Giants 24, Redskins 23: In Washington, Otis Anderson and Maurice Carthon scored on short runs. Odessa Turner caught a 25-yard TD pass from Phil Simms and New York survived a fourth-quarter rally to down the Redskins for the second time this season.

Christmas Tradition Ends At Madison Square Garden

NEW YORK — When Carl Braun, Butch van Breda Kolff and Bud Palmer were the 1947 heroes, the New York Knicks defeated the Providence Steamrollers, 89-75, in a game that began a longstanding tradition: the Christmas Day game at Madison Square Garden.

The tradition is coming to an end. The Garden will be dark this Christmas Day for the first time since 1960.

Women's gymnastics, in case you haven't noticed, has become a misnomer. Only permitted on the Olympic beams and bars are daring wind-up sprines over the hill at the first hint of womanhood.

The biggest smile would be the collective one that stretched from venue to venue and included every gold medal winner from every country. In the individual category, none shone brighter than East German Ulf Timmermann's.

second-half turnovers in thwarting the Steelers. Patriots 21, Colts 17: In Foxboro, Massachusetts, Doug Flutie, who entered the game at the start of the fourth quarter, hit 6 of 6 passes for 41 yards on the winning drive, capped by his own 13-yard scoring run with 23 seconds left.

Robinson Snuffs Dodgers, 1-0

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
LOS ANGELES — Don Robinson ended the major-league season with a three-hit victory as the San Francisco Giants beat the playoff-bound Dodgers, 1-0, here Sunday.

Robinson (10-5) struck out two, walked one and retired the last 17 batters while recording his first win since Aug. 27.

Chicago 9, Yankees 11: In Seattle, the Yankees' Roger Clemens (11) and the Chicago White Sox's Steve Like (11) pitched a combined 17 innings, with Clemens (11) and Like (11) combining for 17 strikeouts.

U.S. and Soviet To Cooperate On Drug Drive
Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
SEOUL — In the wake of Ben Johnson's being stripped of his gold medal for testing positive for steroids, and nine other drug-related punishments at the 1988 Summer Games, the United States and the Soviet Union pledged Sunday to join forces "to work toward the elimination of the use of drugs in sports."

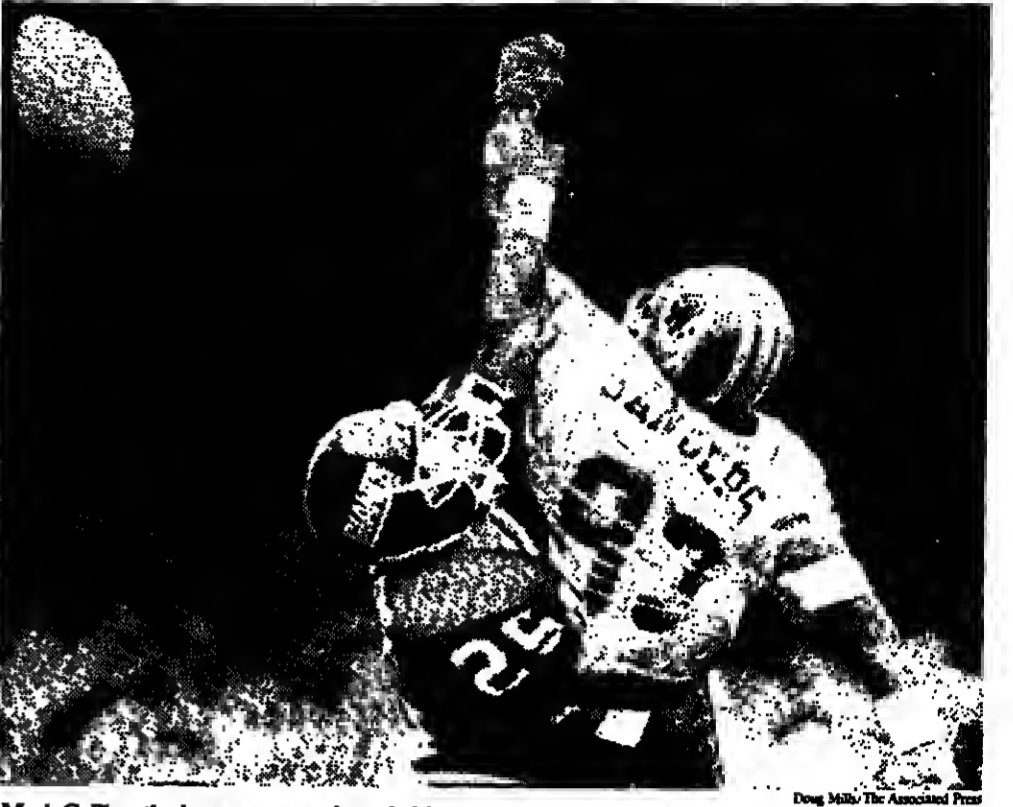
BASEBALL ROUNDUP

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Philadelphia 8, Yankees 7: In New York, the Yankees' Roger Clemens (11) and the Philadelphia Phillies' Steve Lincecum (11) pitched a combined 17 innings, with Clemens (11) and Lincecum (11) combining for 17 strikeouts.

Major League Standings
FINAL AMERICAN LEAGUE
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Detroit 88 74 547 2
Milwaukee 87 75 537 3
Toronto 86 76 536 4
New York Yankees 85 78 534 5
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California Angels 83 80 532 7
Seattle Mariners 82 81 531 8
Oakland Athletics 81 82 530 9
Minnesota Twins 80 83 529 10
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Mark Collins, tipping away a pass intended for Ricky Sanders of Washington. New York won, 24-23.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Sunday's Major League Line Scores

Table with columns for team names and scores. Includes games like Boston 9, Yankees 7; Philadelphia 8, Yankees 7; Chicago 9, Yankees 11.

FOOTBALL

NFL Standings

Table showing NFL standings for the American Conference and National Conference, including teams like Buffalo, NY Jets, Miami, and the AFC and NFC divisions.

TRANSITION

BASEBALL: NEW YORK — Escorted to the airport by John Candelaria, Rick Raders, and Steve Shields, catcher and Gene Clines, hitting instructor.

GOLF

Top finishers and earnings in the Southern Open, which ended Sunday at the 72-hole, 4,277-yard Green Island Country Club course in Columbus, Georgia.

Tyson Reportedly Flies Into Domestic Rage

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
BERNARDSVILLE, New Jersey — Heavyweight champion Mike Tyson flew into a rage Sunday and hauled furniture through the windows of his house, forcing his wife and mother-in-law to flee, according to reports published Monday.

The Post said Tyson threw a sugar bowl, an ashtray and chairs through windows; the News said he brandished "an instrument" from the fireplace and ran through the house smacking windows.

called the Bernardsville Police from a nearby gas station. Given was back at the house when officers arrived, and asked them to speak to Tyson and calm him down.

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